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THE CAPTAIN'S CARD.

We never could see any sense in exposing the traveling bilk and not the resident bilk. Surely, the man who locates in a town and robs everybody he does business with, is far more dangerous than the one who spends a few days in a place, and then goes somewhere else.

We say that we want to beat Capt. Gilson's nomination. It would be the best thing that could happen to the opponents of the Democratic party, for he would beat the whole ticket. We exposed the man because we know of men who have entrusted their business to him and been bilked, and we want to warn the farmers and business men of Washoe county against him. He is not worthy of confidence, and no one should make him his agent. He advertises as an insurance agent, but there is no company that we know of, that will issue a policy on his order, unless the cash goes with it. When the contract was let for building the Steamboat ditch, of which he is Secretary, he was paid a large sum of money by the Chinese contractor. We saw his receipt for part of it. He called it "fees as attorney." The Chinamen say he informed them that there was another contract in at the same price as theirs, and if they would give him a thousand dollars, he would give it to them. The Chinaman who did the business only had about three hundred dollars on him at the time, and he gave him that, taking the receipt spoken of above. He says that he afterward paid Gilson the balance. Let some one ask Mr. Hilton, or Donald McKay, or John Kleppe how he manages business. Ask the poor fellow who got him to send for his money the other day. He sent for it in his own name, and when the fellow called for it, it was gone, and he had to take Captain Gilson's note for it. It is the common report that Gilson is in the habit of enticing children, little boys and girls, into his den; good citizens have told us they would swear to this in court. He was expelled from the Odd Fellows' lodge and Encampment a couple of weeks ago, and there are charges against him now in the Knights of Pythias Lodge. We can fill the paper with little anecdotes if anybody wants them.

THE CONVENTION'S WORK.

The ticket nominated by the Republican County Convention is one of the very best ever presented. This was to have been expected from the character of the men composing the Convention, who were nearly all intelligent citizens and large taxpayers, and it was reasonable to surmise that the candidates would be men well qualified to discharge the duties of their respective stations, fair representatives of the principles of the party, and calculated to be worthy of the suffrages of the voters.—*Morning Journal.*

A Denver firm writes and asks us if a man, representing himself to be connected with the firm of B. F. White & Co. of San Francisco, took any subscriptions in Reno for a magazine called the "Ladies' Bazar." He want us to get one of his receipts and send them, as he says the man was a fraud. If any of our readers know anything about the matter, they can communicate with the GAZETTE office.

SHERMAN'S COMSTOCK SPEECH.

The Virginia *Chronicle* attempts to twist General Sherman's recent speech on the Comstock so as to make it appear that he favors unrestricted Chinese immigration. No such inference can be fairly drawn.

According to the *Chronicle's* own report of Sherman's speech, the General simply declared his faith in the ability of the American people to preserve themselves against the incursions of millions of Asiatics. He believes that our race has within itself such powers of self-preservation that millions of Chinese could not pull us down to their level. The General's utterances about the Chinese were simply the bold defiance of a soldier flung out to an alien people. His remarks were but the ready words of cheer and encouragement to an audience that he supposed somewhat over anxious in regard to possible danger from the Chinese.

This is the sort of foundation that the Democratic journals all over the country are building their campaign stories upon. General Sherman's utterances have little political significance at the present time. He is not a representative politician, as General Wade Hampton is in the South. Suppose that General Sherman, like many Democrats in the East, actually favored Chinese immigration. That should not affect the voters' choice of the Presidential candidates. Voters will remember General Garfield's outspoken declaration that "we cannot allow any form of servile labor to be introduced among us under the guise of immigration." This unmistakable expression on the Chinese question contrasts finely with General Hancock's silence on that point. The Democrats are unable to publish one word from Hancock to show that he opposes Chinese immigration, or that he has any views at all upon the question.

STRONG DEMOCRATIC ENDORSEMENT.

"I will tell you whom I think the Republicans should nominate, and whom I consider THEIR STRONGEST MAN; he is a TRUE MAN, A MAN OF PRINCIPLE, AN HONEST MAN, AND WOULD MAKE A GOOD PRESIDENT FOR US ALL. Personally I consider him the BEST MAN you could nominate. I refer to General JAMES A. GARFIELD, of Ohio."—[Thomas A. Hendricks, 1876.

"I have been his devoted friend for many years, and I am resolved that I never will believe that he does not deserve the affection that I have bestowed upon him. If he would carry the principles which regulate his private life into his public conduct, HE WOULD MAKE THE BEST CHIEF MAGISTRATE THAT WE HAVE EVER HAD."—[Jere Black.

In the midst of the organized carnival of corruption which has been going on now for so many weary months and years at Washington, it is really satisfactory to catch glimpses now and then of HONESTY FOR HONESTY'S SAKE, and without consideration of party. General GARFIELD, of Ohio, is a Republican of Republicans, but it is his simple due, which we gladly pay to him, to admit that HE HAS DONE MORE THAN ANY OTHER SINGLE MEMBER OF HIS PARTY, during the late session of Congress, to show that it is not impossible for a man to act with a Congressional majority, and yet to KEEP HIS SELF-RESPECT AND THE RESPECT OF HONEST MEN.—[New York *World*, before Garfield was a candidate.

The *Mail* says that spelling ladies' Christian names with "ie" at the end has gone out of fashion in New York. "Mamie" is actually giving place to "Mary." The "ie" affectation is now confined in New York to the girls who read dime novels.

THE NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

Several parties are trying to create the impression that the new school house is unsafe. We do not remember a building big enough to swing a cat in, ever being put up in Reno, that some one did not think was unsafe. Kimball's hall, the Reform Club hall, the Theatre, the Catholic Seminary, all were feared by somebody. Either a disappointed contractor or rival to the architect, or someone whose business the new concern would hurt, became convinced that it would be equivalent to suicide for any one to go near the new building. There are timid ones who find fault with the roof of the new school house, although it is exactly like the one on Lee's stable, only smaller, with the exception that the props that were put up while it was being put together were not taken down. Some of the "experts" who have seen it, not knowing that it was a self supporting roof supposed that these props were the things that the roof rested on, and imagine it be unsafe. The centre walls also are reported to be shaky, and although there is not a crack in the plaster, nor a squeak in the doors, it is said that the building has sunk 3½ inches. The School Trustees might make some test that would satisfy every body, and it should be done. It is cruel to let women fret about the safety of their children at school, and people who start such stories should know that there is some foundation for them.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Some interesting and novel fact is sure to be brought out at every meeting of the S. F. Academy of Sciences, just as there is always one good joke in *Punch*. It having been stated at the last meeting of the Society that the clams all around the shores of the bay were dying in large numbers from the refuse of coal oil works at Alameda Point, B. B. Redding said that trout taken from a mountain stream could not live to be carried two miles in a new cedar pail, because of the cedar oil penetrating the water, but that when these fish were placed in tin pails for transportation they could be carried any distance safely. It was explained that oil floating on the surface of the water prevents the aeration of the fluid, thus causing the death of the fish.

The *Bulletin* says: "The resolutions extending the freedom of the city to President Hayes have been handsomely engraved on a gold plate six inches by 3¾ inches, which is enclosed in a silver envelope bearing the President's address on the front, and the figure of the city seal on the back. The plate contains the resolutions handsomely engraved, with the seal of the city in the centre of the heading, and the names of the Supervisors and the Clerk of the Board at the foot. On the left hand upper corner is a sheaf of grain and upon the right hand upper corner grape vine and fruit. On the left hand lower corner is the American eagle and on the right hand lower corner is a grizzly bear."

Ninety persons committed suicide in San Francisco during the year covered by the Coroner's report just published. This gives an average of one suicide every four days. The Coroner must rub his hands over this condition of things. But it has a grave aspect. Ninety suicides in one year in a single city show that moral courage is decreasing. Suicide should not be so common in a community which originated such terms as "sand," "grit," "brace up," and "never lost his grip."

Calistoga, California, is in a fever of excitement over the alleged extraction of gold from the mineral water of the Calistoga springs. A Mr. Techenor recently bought the springs. He put up apparatus to extract the gold, and last Thursday, in the presence of spectators, he professed to extract $14 35 in gold from a 5½-gallon pail of water. The man is undoubtedly a humbug.

The Eureka *Leader* office was burnt up in the recent fire, and the legal existence of the paper has been preserved by a slip printed in the *Sentinel* office. Now it appears as a regular newspaper again, but much diminished in size. A new office will be built, and then the *Leader* will assume its old proportions. The clever brains of the paper were not injured by the fire.

In an Arizona Court-room Lawyer Jones hit Justice Reilly in the eye because His Honor tried to eject him. The next time Jones appeared in Court Reilly fined him $25 and committed him to jail for one day—for contempt in striking him. A local paper, after giving a glowing account of the affair, says: "Jones is let out, and to-day they'll go at it again."

The Carson *Times* is busily engaged in showing up Boynton Carlisle of the Genoa *Courier* as a corrupt journalist and professional blackmailer. There are no laurels to be won in firing at a dead duck. The *Times* should let Carlisle drop. He is sure to go to the bottom ultimately, although the gases of corruption may for a while keep him bobbing at the surface.

The Bodie *Free Press* does not forget in the present emergency that, as a leading journal, it has a moral duty to perform, and thus points out the lesson of the hour: "Five deaths in four days disclose the fact that the shot gun and revolver are not played out, and that they are very handy things to have in the house, after all."

According to the Truckee *Republican* there is every reason to believe that the stubborn ores of Meadow Lake district can be successfully worked by the Gould process, which is very simple. The ores are merely exposed for a time to the air, crushed dry and ground in pans, where it is easily amalgamated.

Says the New York Mining *News*: "The destruction of half a million dollars' worth of property in Eureka, Nev., by fire, is a calamity which would have irretrievably ruined an Eastern community of equal importance. In the West, however, disasters of this kind tend to stimulate the sufferers, and develop a remarkable fertility of resource."

The case of I. M. Kalloch, who murdered Charles de Young, has come up for trial in San Francisco, and been continued until Monday next. The defense is contesting before the Supreme Court the question of trial of a capital case on information.

A San Francisco three-year-old boy got a small brass screw into one of its nostrils, and the attempts to extract it sent it far into the head. It finally dropped into the gullet and was swallowed. A copious dose of castor oil ultimately brought the screw to light again.

A slight accident put a stop to the twenty-mile riding race at Minneapolis, the other day, between Miss Cook of California and Miss Jewett of Minnesota. Another match, between Miss Cook and Miss Pinnce of Colorado, twenty miles for $2,000, was arranged for to-day.

The Eureka *Leader*, having recovered to nearly its former proportions, has now room to boom. It is booming for Wren for Senator with all its old time energy.

The S. F. *Bulletin* says, in extenuation of Glassock, one of the Democratic nominees for Congress, who is charged with being a Southern man, "it is but fair to state that he was brought to California when merely a boy."

A young Norwegian has been walking water at Milwaukee. By means of little boat-shaped coverings on his feet he can walk upright over the surface of deep water, and attain a fair degree of speed.

Some idiot writes to the *S. F. Bulletin* that in Lake Tahoe drowned bodies are frozen stiff at a depth of 200 feet, because the water is so cold. The wonder is that the water down there don't freeze, too.

That was a long horseback ride from Texas to New York, which J. P. Benjamin has completed—2,400 miles. He started May 10th and finished August 27th. He wanted to see the country.

A Philadelphia paper says: "The fewer feathers a woman has in her bonnet in this world, the more she will have on her wings in the world to come."

The report of the Board on the new school house will be found elsewhere. It is complete and conclusive, and we doubt not will be satisfactory.

The inquest over a woman found dead in a cabin at Winnemucca showed that she drank herself to death.

Dr. Tanner has begun a course of lectures. He is trying to convince his hearers that it is better to fast than to take medicine.

"Mrs. John W. Mackay, of Consolidated Virginia," is the way the Chicago *Tribune* refers to the lady.

The *Lying County Times* says that the people of Lyon county are almost unanimously for Sharon.

There were 3,745 dogs killed in San Francisco during the last canine year.

Not a single Comstock mine pays a dividend this month. The assessments amount to half a million.

Water boils in Virginia City at 198 degrees, 14 degrees less than at the level of the sea.

Gorham is coming to help (?) the Republicans in California late in October.

A French Journalist.

From the Parisian.

One of the most prominent and influential Parisians of the day is, undoubtedly, the man who in the *Petit Journal*, signs his articles "Thomas Grimm." His real name is Henri Escoffier. He is 43 years old, and hails from the south.

From the day in 1833, when he entered the office of the *Petit Journal*, to this, Escoffier has been prominent before the public. Now he wrote a feuilleton, now a chronique, always in the clear and intelligible style that is peculiarly his own.

Thomas Grimm is, like all great journalists, a great worker. In the evening he hurries to his little house, near the woods of Vincennes, and in the company of his wife and son, forgets the hurry and fever of Parisian life. Every fine morning he strolls out with his young four-year-old, and comes home again for breakfast, the boy on his back and loaded with field flowers.

Thomas Grimm is a man of medium height, manly and upright. His nose is prominent and so are the lips; the eyes are gentle, the hair is brown.

Thomas Grimm is a moderate Republican. In his articles he appeals to the intelligence rather than to the passion of his readers, and conveys to them, under the easy form of a chronique, the most valuable lessons.

His services in behalf of the Republican cause during the 16th May period, have produced him the merited reward of the cross of the Legion of Honor.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

Modoc county is to have a Democratic paper.

Baled timothy is $15 a ton in Quincy, Plumas county.

Indians bring sacks of wild ducks into Winnemucca and sell them at two bits each.

The Kern county *Gazette* has been bought by G. K. Weare. It remains Democratic.

A wildcat weighing 40 pounds was shot on the Woodstock ranch, near Susanville, last Sunday.

The Modoc *Independent* reports that the water in Pit river is very low, and many wells in Alturas are very near dry.

Joseph Cole of Central Point, Merced, has lost, inside of three weeks, over three hundred chickens by the sneaking coyote.

Mrs. A. W. Bigelow of Calaveras on Aug. 19th killed a rattlesnake with a garden hoe. He was over five feet long and had twelve rattles.

George Meek, of Winsdor, Sonoma county, who was bitten by a fox, has, after much suffering, died from hydrophobia, caused by the animal's saliva.

A clerk in Auburn while sweeping the street in front of the store last Wednesday morning, found a nugget of pure gold worth $4 30.

Wood river, Idaho, attracts much attention. The mineral belt is 75 miles long and 40 miles wide, mainly smelting ores. Free milling ores are found at Saw Tooth.

The Santa Cruz *Sentinel* says that a boy, name unknown, was lately walking along the Felton flume, using his gun as a cane, when it slipped and was discharged, killing him.

The corner-stone of the Methodist Episcopal University at Los Angeles was laid on Saturday by Bishop Wiley and Bishop Simpson. Conference is now in session in that city.

Three weeks ago some Chico gentlemen left that place in a wagon for Arizona. At Bakersfield their dog left them and returned to Chico, over 500 miles, on his own responsibility.

Bears are killing numbers of cattle in the Upper Bitter Root Valley, Montana. Rev. G. J. Stanley recently met four on a narrow trail, and took the back track with great energy.

Wm. Jones of Roseville has attempted to imitate Tanner. He retired to a strawstack, and is said to have spent nine days without food. He is thought to be insane.

Several rattle-nakes were killed in Ukiah City during the past week. They were undoubtedly driven out of the mountains by the fires which have been raging there for some time past.

In Granite Basin, Plumas county, can be seen a curiosity in the shape of an old quartz mill, which at one time was owned by Mexicans, and which, it is said, was brought from England. It is entirely of wood, and would provoke a smile in these days of improved machinery.

They have a steam crusher, stemmer and feeder in Napa county which will not only stem the grapes and crush them, but actually carry them from the wagons to the crusher, so that a teamster unloading his grapes can empty them directly from the wagon into the feeder, which feeds them into the crusher.

A special from Fort Bowie, New Mexico, says: The Indians attacked and captured the stage from the East, sixteen miles from Fort Cummings, in New Mexico. The driver and passengers, two in number, were killed. One of them was Ewing S. Madden, a son of Captain Madden of the Sixth Cavalry. The stage horses were taken.

Perplexity.

From the National Democratic Platform.

Third, - - A tariff for revenue only.

From Gen. Hancock's Letter of Acceptance.

The principles enumerated by the Convention are those I have cherished in the past, and shall endeavor to maintain in the future.

From the New Jersey Democratic Platform.

Resolved, That the Democratic party in this is in favor of such a tariff as will best protect our [illegible] industries.

Wanted to [illegible] the time.

He opened the door cautiously, and poking his head in in a suggestive sort of way, as if there was more to follow, inquired: "Is this the editorial rinktum?" "The what, my friend?" "Is this the rink um— niktum, sanctum or some such place where the editor lives?" "This is the editorial room; yes, sir. Come in." "No, I guess I won't come in. I wanted to see what a rinktum was like, that's all. It looks like our garret, only ours is. Good day."—*Ex.*

A DISTINGUISHED DEMOCRAT'S OPINION OF GARFIELD.

There is no Democrat in the country more respected than Judge Jeremiah Black. He is one of the most acute lawyers in the United States, and has always been a Democrat of strong partizan feelings. When General Garfield was first accused of a scandalous connection with the Credit Mobilier, Judge Black wrote a letter defending him. Since the nomination of Garfield to the Presidency, Judge Black has been in Europe. He has just returned, and gives the following interview to the Philadelphia *Press*. If any voter in the country has any lingering doubts as to the character of the Republican nominee for the Presidency, those doubts should be finally dispelled by the perusal of this opinion of Judge Black's:

"Judge, you know General Garfield well. Would you object to giving your estimate of him?"

"I have no desire to add anything to my published letter to Blaine. What I said then of him was true. With regard to the Credit Mobilier transaction, I have said, and always will say, that I believe that General Garfield told the truth about it. I watched the development of the investigation, and I saw nothing in that to alter my opinion. I will tell you—General Garfield's hands were clean in that transaction, as he has always kept them; but he unfortunately adopted the false defense of those who were guilty and who expected Oakes Ames to swear them through, instead of standing on his own true and good defense and leaving the guilty to their fate. There was his devotion to party. It was urged upon him as a party necessity, and he yielded to that consideration, as he always will. His party demanded the sacrifice and he made it. For that reason the Credit Mobilier affair has not hurt him with his party, and will not and ought not. I believe firmly in General Garfield's personal integrity, and I base my judgment on an intimate knowledge of his private walk and conversation. He has large sympathy and great humanity; would make any sacrifice to serve his friend in any honorable way, but in politics gives to his party the key to his conscience. There is Garfield the man, who would do no wrong, and Garfield the party servant, who will do his party's bidding. Now, I have said enough about General Garfield, and I think there is nothing in what I have said that the public will want to hear."

"Do you look upon General Garfield as being as strong a man as his party could have nominated?"

"Intellectually he is the strongest man, and morally he is the equal of any man in the party."

NO CALL FOR SYMPATHY.

If the Carson *Appeal* and Virginia *Chronicle* continue striving to make a martyr of W. M. Boardman, of Reno, perhaps somebody will take pity on him and nominate him as an Independent candidate for Constable.—*Enterprise.*

Our contemporaries need not lose any sleep on account of Washoe county matters. W. M. Boardman has lived without office before, and he can well afford to wait two years for his vindication if the people want him. He is too good a Republican, and too sensible a man to run independent for anything, even if his friends are giving him bad advice. If he was defeated for the nominatitn by unfair means, as his over zealous friends claim, he cannot afford at his age, to sacrifice a brilliant future in a party which has had his full sympathy and support, to gratify a momentary spite. We predict that Senator Boardman will be found stumping the State for the entire Republican ticket.

FOR STATE SENATOR.

Hon. Jerry Schooling has been persuaded to accept the Democratic nomination for State Senator. This will entirely remove personalities from the campaign, so far as that office is concerned. With such a man as Dr. Dawson on one ticket, and Mr. Schooling on the other, there is nothing to fight for except the principles of the two parties. Where both men are perfect in character and record, there is nothing to cause any Democrat to vote for the Doctor, nor a Republican to vote for Mr. Schooling. This is as we like to see it. Politics is no place for personalities, and we are glad we are going to have a clean fight, and may the best man win. If the election came off to-morrow, we should have Mr. Schooling for Senator pretty surely, but in six weeks there will be a good many reasons advanced why the Republican doctrine should still control the government, and there will be a good deal of reaction. At any rate, we are sure of a good Senator.

WHY THE SOUTH IS SOLID FOR HANCOCK.

"*Consider what Lee and Jackson would do were they alive. THESE ARE THE SAME PRINCIPLES FOR WHICH THEY FOUGHT FOR FOUR YEARS. Remember the men who poured forth their life blood on Virginia's soil, and do not abandon them now. Remember that upon your vote depends the success of the Democratic ticket.*"—[Wade Hampton, at the meeting in the interest of Democratic harmony in Virginia, at Staunton, July 26, 1880.

"*Pause before you cast your vote. Think how Lee would have voted. Think what Jackson would have done before he would have cast a vote calculated to divide his beloved Virginia. I ask you to remember those who have died on your soil, AND TO REMEMBER THAT THE PRINCIPLES THEY DIED FOR ARE AGAIN ON TRIAL TO-DAY*"—[What Wade Hampton said, as reported in the *Staunton Vindicator*, of July 30, 1880, the only Democratic paper in Staunton that published the substance of his address.

"*General Hampton declared that the Democratic party, under Hancock's lead, was fighting for the same principles that Lee and Jackson fought for, and for which the Southern soldiers died. There was no qualification in the terms used. His appeal was for harmony in the Democratic party in Virginia, and to make it effective he brought up the war remembrance to touch the feelings of the audience.*"—[From the Staunton Valley *Virginian*, the paper from which the first quotation above is taken.

[From four prominent Democrats of Staunton, who sat on the platform while Hampton spoke.]

We, the undersigned, heard the speech of General Wade Hampton, delivered in Staunton, on the 26th of July. We have also read the report thereof published in *The Valley Virginian* on the 29th of July, and hereby certify that that report was substantially correct.

ARCHIBALD G. STUART,
H. C. TINSLEY,
A. C. GORDON,
HUGH F. LYLE.

GILSON AND THE GAZETTE.

Yesterday Captain Gilson called the editor of the GAZETTE into his office for an interview. He feels very hard about the strictures which appeared in the paper a day or two since. He denies everything there charged, and says he has never done any man an intentional wrong. He says we have been misinformed entirely and lied about him in the most damnable, villainous manner. His statements put a different face upon all the matters spoken of. He is exceedingly bitter against all who have said anything against his character, and believes we were led into a snare by some unprincipled scoundrels, to crush a worthy and good citizen. He has lived here since the birth of Reno, and has done a good deal of business and says no one has suffered to the extent of one dollar by him. He says the other charges are most damnable, villainous falsehoods. We give the Captain the benefit of the contradiction.

THE GRASSHOPPER ARTICLE.

The San Francisco *Bulletin* sent Professor J. G. Lemmon to this valley to investigate the grasshopper business. The report was finely illustrated and very complete, reflecting credit at once upon the Professor and the *Bulletin*. We are able to reproduce the article to-day by the courtesy of the *Bulletin* Company, who sent us the cuts by express. It will be read with interest by our farmers. In this connection it may be well to say that Professor Lemmon has been requested by Professor Thomas of the U. S. Commissioner on Entomology, to write up the locust question on this coast for the forthcoming government report. This is a big compliment, and shows that we may place confidence in whatever comes from Professor Lemmon on this subject.

A very amusing scene occurred on Market street in San Francisco the other day. A man standing at the entrance of the Baldwin hotel was pounced upon by an enraged lady, who beat him over the head with a parasol. He fled into the bar-room, and she pursued him until she dropped into a chair from exhaustion. The wretch had been talking about her.

A NEW INDUSTRY.

A new industry in California, and one that promises to be important, is the preservation of potatoes by pressing. A machine has been invented for pressing potatoes so that they will keep for years in any climate. The potatoes are first pressed, then dried, and finally ground into a coarse powder. Shipments to England of potatoes thus preserved have proved profitable, and a company has been formed in California to engage in the cultivation, pressing and drying of potatoes. It is thought that a very active demand will spring up in Great Britain for the dessicated potatoes.

Nevada potatoes are much superior to those grown in California. The soil in this State is much better suited to the growth of tubers of good quality than is that of California. This new process of preserving the vegetables for a foreign market may prove important to the agricultural interests of Nevada. The pressed, dried and ground potatoes are reduced so much in bulk and weight that the cost of freight on the ground preparation is comparitively slight. The difference in quality between the California and the Nevada product should give ours the preference in the foreign market, and more than counterbalance the expense of getting their product to the seaboard, which the Nevada farmers would have to bear. The invention of the process for preserving fruit by drying has given the orchardists of Oregon the markets of the world for their fruit. In a similar way, this new process for drying and preserving potatoes may prove a source of wealth and prosperity to this State.

EAT YOUR OYSTERS RAW.

The London *Lancet* says oysters are much more digestible raw than cooked. It appears that the best thing about the oyster is its liver, which is large. The oyster is, in fact, nearly all liver, and to the scientist its liver is a heap of glycogen. Besides a generous liver, God has provided the oyster with a diastaste. When a live raw oyster is bitten between the teeth, the diastaste is broken up and mingles with the glycogen. The glycogen is at once digested by the diastaste, and the stomach is relieved of all responsibility. If, on the other hand, the oyster is cooked, the heat destroys the diastaste, and the oyster when swallowed has to take its chances of digestion in the stomach, like any other food. This is not the exact language of the *Lancet*, which is somewhat more technical in its explanations.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The passage of the Hares and Rabbits bill is a boon to English farmers. It has been a crime for any person to kill a rabbit in England without permission from the owner of the soil. The destruction done by hares and rabbits has been almost incredible. The average cost of feeding a hare when running wild on English farms has actually been estimated at $250. The preservation of this sort of game has kept millions of acres of fertile land out of cultivation. The loss inflicted by these animals is said to represent an aggregate of $20,000,000 annually. The new law allows the occupier of the ground to kill rabbits and hares when he pleases.

Mrs. Hannah Bent of East Boston so the *Traveller* says, lived for sixty-two days on cider alone. She was ill and could take nothing else, being a native of New England, where the babies are brought up on cider and acquire a fondness for that beverage which continues until death. After forty-two days of an existence sustained solely by cider, "something broke" in the lady's stomach, and she began to mend, paradoxical as the statement may seem. She subsequently entirely recovered her health.

Vermont is a peculiar state. Statistics show that the average rate of wages paid there is less than in any State north of Mason & Dixon's line. The consumption of liquor is enormous. In 1870 it amounted to $6,700,000, and it has since increased. This would give every voter in Vermont forty-five gallons of rum at $2 a gallon, enough to keep them all drunk for 300 days, according to a recent estimate.

The New York *Tribune* says: "So great is the dissatisfaction among the Democrats of New Jersey over the Democratic nomination for Governor that the Republicans have great confidence in their ability to carry the State by a fair majority. They will certainly carry the Legislature, which will elect a Republican successor to Senator Randolph."

As regards the prospects in Indiana the leading politicians are divided in their opinions. A Chicago dispatch says: Republican and Independent-Republican editors are unanimous in the belief that Indiana will go for Porter, while the Democrat and Independent-Democrat editors are unanimous in the belief that the State will give a Democratic majority.

The result in Maine is not exactly as Republicans hoped to see it, and yet it might have been foreseen by anyone who posted himself on the situation. Nearly all the Fusion nominees were Republicans, and the Democrats were merely allies of a split off which carried the balance of power. The result will be a fierce contest in Indiana and Ohio.

Robert Bonner thinks that the mile will yet be trotted in 2:06. He is of the opinion that his own Rarus can do it in 2:10 or better. Bonner never trots his horses for money, but he intends to try Edwin Forrest or Rarus on a mile track some day, just to see what time one or the other can make.

The *Plumas National* says the item which we clipped from the Bodie *Standard-News* about the Plumas paper of early days, of which the subscription price was $30 a month, is a monstrous fiction. The paper described by the *Standard-News* sold for $5 per year, instead of $30 per month.

The GAZETTE has always been strongly opposed to Mr. Blaine's peculiar style of politics. We believed and said that if he were nominated for the Presidency he would be a weak man in New England. The result in Maine seems to corroborate that idea.

It may not be the fault of the Democracy that nearly all the ignorant, the idle and the vicious of our population is found within its ranks, but it is certainly its misfortune. The criminal wards of New York city, for instance, are overwhelmingly Democratic.

The National Humane Society offers $5,000 for the invention of a cattle car in which animals can lie down and rest, and be watered and fed on their journey to market. The car must be sufficiently practicable to render its general adoption probable.

Promising deposits of tin ore have been found in Maine, and a company has been formed to develop them. At present all the tin ore used in this country comes from abroad, mostly from England.

Col. Tichner, who has been duping the people of Calistoga into the belief that the water of the Calistoga springs is rich in gold, was exposed in Chicago in 1878 for "salting" a worthless mine with gold filings. He is at his old tricks.

The Virginia *Stage* of Saturday evening had the following: "It is rumored on the street to-day that Wm. Sharon has withdrawn from the Senatorial contest in Nevada, and that he will at once enter the lists in California, of which he is a resident."

The test race of 150 hours' duration, between men and horses, closed on Saturday night at Chicago. Byrne scored 578 miles, ten more than the leading horse, and winning the first prize.

That was a singular accident by which Thomas Middleton lost his life at Salt Lake last Saturday. He slipped from a stack of hay and the prongs of a pitchfork pierced his heart.

At a recent county fair in California a stout young lady exhibited herself in the "domestic department," and was unanimously awarded the premium for the "best bed-comforter" by the bachelor judges.

The twenty mile riding race between Miss Cook of California and Miss Pinno of Colorado, for a purse of $5,000, was won by Miss Cook in 48 minutes and 50 seconds, beating her competitor by nearly two miles.

Only three candidates for county officers have so far been announced in Carson. The Carson newspaper men are distressed at the apathy displayed in the local campaign.

Mount Baker, Washington Territory, is in eruption. Flames bursting from the crater, and large volumes of smoke are constantly ascending.

The Oakland *Tribune* says: "If there is anything refreshing in this world it is a man with a heart." A woman with a heart is quite as rare and even more refreshing.

Badger against dogs is the kind of fight that amuses the Bodie folks in their lighter moods. Criminals against policemen is sport for their graver hours.

That long-expected event has happened in Spain. The heir to the Spanish crown is a daughter.

On a slow track and during a heavy wind St. Julien last Saturday trotted a mile at Minneapolis in 2:13.

MORE SOUTHERN SENTIMENT.

A Pennsylvania Democratic Congressman's Confession—No Pensions for Union Soldiers.

From the Carlisle (Penn.) Herald.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Apr. 23, 1880.

DEAR SIR—Your favor was received. I would **most cheerfully introduce and urge** the passage of a bill such as you suggest, **but with the present Democratic House pension bills do not have much favor.** It has become almost impossible to get consideration of such a bill at all, and when considered, its chance of passing the house is very remote, and **the Rebel General who is at the head of the Pension Committee in the Senate is still more averse to allowing any such bills to pass.** It would not be at all probable, therefore, that the bill will be got through.

Very truly
F. E. BELTZHOOVER.

The original of the above confession, addressed by a Pennsylvania Democratic Congressman to one of his constituents, is in our possession.—*Ed. N. Y. Tribune.*

The Fashionable Girl.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

The thoroughly fashionable girl looks as if she had stepped out of a picture painted in the middle of last century. She droops her shoulders, represses her bosom, and humps her back until she is in eresting y shaped, like a consumptive in the stages preceding death. Her shoulder blades show like rudimentary wings protruding through the thin muslin of her white dress, and her hair is arranged with angelic simplicity. Over her shoulders and chest is a fichu like the handkerchief familiar in the standard portrait of Martha Washington. Her skirt is gathered in at the waist, and hangs as straight and plain as an old-fashioned petticoat to within about six inches of the ground. The only suggestion of modern earthliness is the glimpse of gay stockings underneath.

Iron Pyrites.

From a Letter of the Rev. C. Bartol to the Boston Advertiser.

I used to be in Dr. Jackson's laboratory sometimes when the furnace was in full blast. One day, as he told me, a countryman came in with a handkerchief full of those yellow blocks called iron pyrites, saying he had found a gold mine on his farm, and would not take no for an answer. The patient chemist held some of the little cubes in his shovel over a blazing fire till the sulphur was disengaged, then put the smoking mass under the farmer's nose, and asked him what that smelt of. "Hell!" was the somewhat hasty reply.

Queer Notes on Elephants.

From The London Globe.

Twice round an elephant's forefoot gives his height to within an inch or two. As regards age, looking to their peculiar dentition and other circumstances, Mr. Sanderson thinks it by no means improbable that elephants live to 150 or 200 years. No one has ever apparently, seen the remains of a dead elephant, and this circumstance is so marked as to have given rise to the belief among some wild tribes that wild elephants never die; whilst others believe that there is a place unseen by human eye to which they retire to end their days.

Shooting on the Wing.

From Afield and Afloat.

A great deal has been said and written in respect to the art of shooting on the wing, and now that the shooting season has about opened, we would say to young beginners, hold your gun ahead, and keep it *moving*, for therein lies the whole success in shooting on the wing. We should like to hear from some of our young sportsmen who will take the above advice and make a trial of it.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

Trout fishing is good at Tahoe.

The Nevada Pioneers will picnic at Treadway's park, Oct. 9.

Auburn's Chinatown was burned down Thursday night.

Two white children are ill with small pox in Stockton.

There was some horse racing on the track at Winnemucca yesterday.

The Sierra mine at Dun Glen, Humboldt county, is showing some fine gold quartz.

The shaft of the Real del Monte mine is being sunk from a 500-foot level to the depth of 250 feet more.

The Oakland Fair opened to-day. Theodore Winters has a number of fast horses there.

A. W. Bigelow, of Calaveras, Cal., killed with a garden hoe a rattlesnake which was five feet long and had twelve rattles.

Cole's circus had an immense attendance on Friday evening in Sacramento. Over 1,500 were turned away from the door.

A San Jose boy tried to frighten his mother by hanging himself in the back yard. He succeeded, for he was dead when she cut him down.

The "racquet" is the name of a new fashionable dance that Carson society is trying to compass. It is something of a compromise between a galop and a polka.

The Richmond hoisting works, Eureka, are now enclosed with corrugated iron. It is the intention of that comany to use no more lumber in the erection of their buildings.

Fifteen hundred dollars was offered for the large gold specimen taken from the New Rocky Bar mine, Nevada county, Cal., but was refused, the owners valuing it at $2,700.—*Transcript.*

John Darrow got caught in the elevator at the Paradise mill, while at work there last Wednesday, and had one of his legs broken.

Wm. Taplin has presented the Phenix *Herald* with a cake of soap made from water from the Soda Springs in Black Canyon, Arizona. It is said to be a good toilet soap.

Two Mexicans, supposed to have been assassinated, were found dead near Sunshine, between Bodie and Aurora, last Friday morning. Why, or by whom they were killed, remains an unsolved mystery, the *Homer Index* says.

By a recent explosion at Empire City, Or., the engineer, Charles Richardson, was blown into the air and alighted in the bay 100 feet distant. Fortunately the water and mud broke the fall, and he escaped with but few bruises.

Says the *Mountain Review*: J. T. McKnight, living at the base of Diamond mountain, killed a chicken, in the gizzard of which was found a piece of gold worth 75 cents. Another had a piece in it that weighed $1.

The Altamont has an electric signal in its shaft, by which the engineer can be signalled at any moment. It operates by a touch upon strips of copper stretched up and down the timbers of the shaft, and beside the guides. This touch completes a circuit, and blows a whistle on the surface.

The United States heliotrope corps on Diamond Mountain, Eureka, signal every morning with the home station on Arch Dome, near Ione, in Nye county, 99¾ miles distant. The corps will gradually move east, establishing stations on Prospect Mountain, White Pine, Jeff Davis Peak, and so on into Utah, as the season advances.

The number of miners' inches of water used in one year in the various townships are as follows: Eureka 1,104,221, North Bloomfield 1,028,384, Bridgeport 721,469, Little York 814,402, Nevada 408,228, Rough and Ready 273,605, Washington 161,925, Grass Valley 33,506, Total inches 4,551,840. The tax on this is one-half a cent per inch, aggregates $22,750 20.

The Good Taste of Royalty.

The Princess of Wales is a picture of modest good taste as she walks the deck of her husband's yacht. She always wears a plainly made dress of some dark color, with a sailor's hat, or a soft close hat, which is exceedingly becoming to her. Her little daughters are dressed in dark serges or simple cottons, and sailor's hats always crown their long, fair hair

A Slight Mistake.

He had not seen his friend for some years. The other day he met him coming up Galveston-ave. with his wife on his arm, accompanied by a little boy, and said: "I would have known you anywhere by that boy. He has got your mouth and chin, but his nose, eyes and forehead are precisely like his mother's. I never saw such a perfect resemblance." The boy was an adopted one. Tableau.

A New Fish.

Mrs. Rosa Smith of San Diego has discovered and named a new fish. Her description of it has been printed in the proceedings of a National Museum, which is the first instance of a scientific description, and the determination of its species, of a new fish ever made by a woman. She has been made a resident member of the Fish Commission.

LITTLE CLIPPINGS.

A man at Campaign, Ill., proudly wears a watch guard made of hair which he pulled from an enemy's beard in a fight.

Thomas Young of Perkinsville, Ind., looked into the mouth of a cannon to see if it was loaded, while somebody touched it off. His head was blown away.

A husband eloped from Portage, Wis., with a widow and her two daughters. After traveling as far as La Crosse he deserted the mother and one daughter, disappearing with the prettiest of the girls.

The Rev. Father James Haggerty has entered suit against 131 of his parishioners in Milwaukee to recover $1,000 back salary. A deputy sheriff was actively engaged for several days in serving the papers.

Sam Crawford undertook to kill the four members of William Tate's family, at York, S. C. He had wounded Mrs. Tate and a daughter when help came, and he was compelled to run away. A physician attended to the injured women, and departed. In the morning Tate was found dead, Crawford having returned to his murderous task.

Mack Parrow of Grand Rapids, Mich., died after sixty-three days of voluntary fasting. He believed he had a cancer in his stomach and quit eating. During the rest of his life he took only sweetened water occasionally and one teaspoonful of ice cream. The autopsy proved that he had been mistaken about his stomach, his sole trouble being in his brain.

LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING UNCALLED FOR IN THE Reno Postoffice, Sept. 1, 1880. Parties calling for any of these letters will please say "Advertised."

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Brown, J J	Lord, I P
Burns, John	Larose, Geo
Broadhead, I	Mc. Louis
Clark, Sam	Munson, John
Coffman, H S	McDonald, F
Dodd, Frank	McKee, Oliver
Dixon, John	McKenny, Chas
Deadman, H D	McDonald, C
Dorsey, J	Rothrick, W & 2
Doty, L B	Smith, Mary
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Republican Gains this Year.

The following are the gains in Congressmen expected by the National Republican Congressional Committee this year:

Connecticut		New York	5
Florida		North Carolina	1
Illinois		Ohio	2
Indiana		Oregon	1
Iowa	1	Pennsylvania	2
Maine	1	Vermont	1
Minnesota		Wisconsin	1
New Jersey	1		
Total	2		

The Advantage of Early Education.

From the Galveston News.

"I'll teach you to lie and steal and smoke and use profane language," said an irate Galveston parent to his eldest offspring, at the same time swinging a good-sized sapling. "I'll teach you, you young scamp!" "Never mind, father, I know all them branches already."

A Monster Sea Serpent.

HALIFAX, N. S. Sept. 2.—A monstrous sea serpent, measuring from 70 to 100 feet in length, with a body as big round as a barrel and head about the size of a cask, was seen off Mavigomish coast by a boat's crew out on a mackeral fishing excursion. The men were about 100 yards from the serpent and saw it plainly as it moved along and made waves like a steamer. Thirty feet of its tail was exposed when it disappeared.

"The most elastic fish known is the *chiasmodus niger*. It can swallow a fish twice its size."—*Exchange*. We will back a certain Sunaville editor against any *chiasmodus* in the ocean at that game.

Quite a number of race horses are in training at the Greenville track, among them the famous Ashley, Red Cloud, and a very promising three-year old belonging to Mr. Thompson, of this valley. Some fast time will be reported at the Fair.

The recent public execution at Dallas, Texas, was followed by a general hanging of dogs by small boys from the gallows used the day before. The ceremony of adjusting the rope, prayer, singing and farewell parting was gone through with.

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Colored Silks from	75c	& upw'rds
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D'ble width Sheeting	25c	"
Cheviot Shirting	12c	"
Amoskeag Ginghams	10c	"
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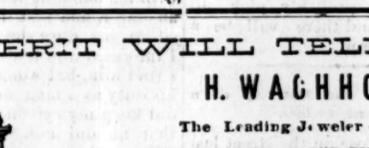

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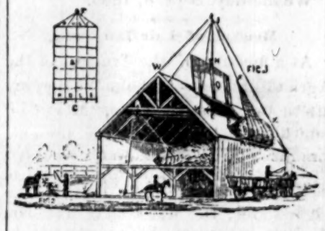

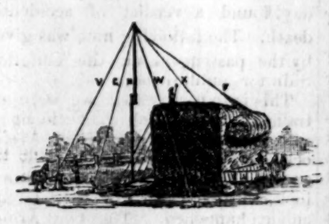

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T..E BODIE ROAD.

Two Coaches Stopped and Robbed in One Night—A Desperate Fight With Highwaymen—Full Particulars of The Affray.

The Bodie *Free Press* has come to hand with the following full particulars of the robberies of last Saturday night and Sunday morning.

SATURDAY NIGHT'S OPERATION.

On Saturday night, as the Bodie-bound stage from Carson was passing the identical spot near Dalzell's, where it had been robbed on the two previous occasions, Cambridge, the same driver who was the victim both times before, was ordered to "Halt!" and he accordingly stopped his team. James Cross, of Candelaria, and Col. Davies, of Carson, were on top, and when they did not throw up their hands quick enough, one of the robbers sang out: "Throw up your hands, G—d d—n quick, or I'll blow your d—n brains out!" It is needless to say that their flus went up lively. Cross, thinking he might be taken for a messenger, said: "There are no messengers aboard." To which they responded, in query: "There are no messengers on board? Get down then." There were eight passengers aboard, among them E. H. Fontecilla, of the *Free Press* job office, Col. T. W. W. Davies, W W. Dunlap, Louis Corbel, Mrs. Miller, James Cross, Miss Kroft and Mrs. B. B. Norton. The passengers were all stood up in a row, with their hands over their heads, and while one of the robbers covered them with a rifle from behind, the other went through them for arms. Only one revolver was found, when the passengers were permitted to sit on the ground. The boxes were chained in the boot, but one of the robbers got them out without much trouble, and dragged them into the sage-brush a short distance off, where he opened them with a hammer and cold-chisel. This being completed he came back and told his partner what he had got "Is that all?" said he. "Shall we go through the passengers?" "No," consiferately replied the first-named "I don't like to rob passengers." The passengers were then ordered to return into the stage, which they did, and were afterward allowed to proceed on their way.

A SOLITARY TRAVELLER STOPPED.

Before the robbery of the up stage, Mr Gallagher, of Mt. Grant, on his way from Aurora to Pine Grove, was stopped by these men and robbed of $35, and held by them while the stage was being gone through. He had $37 25; but they gave him back $2 25, telling him that he would probably need it.

THE SECOND ROBBERY.

The stage which left Bodie at 5 o'clock Saturday evening was met by the up stage about two and one-half hours afterward, near the Elbow. This stage had on board Messengers Mike Toby and Tom Woodruff. They were informed of the condition of things down the road, but did not much anticipate an attack themselves. From H. A. Billings, division agent of the Bodie and Virginia and Junction and Belleville roads, who was on the stage at the time the robber was killed, a *Free Press* reporter gathered an accurate description of the fight which followed. Toby got down from the stage several times to look at the road and see if the trail of the robbers was still on it. They had gone so far north, and it was so near daylight it was thought improbable that the robbers would be met. Toby had got down from the top and was looking at the ground in front of the leaders, when he was hailed, and two shots were fired—one at him, which killed the near leader, and the other passing between the driver and Billings, on the coach. Toby ran back and Billings handed him his gun, at the same time slipping to the ground himself and to the rear of the coach, where also Woodruff joined them. A short parley ensued. The smaller man of the two said: "If you fellows fire a gun we will murder every s—n of a b—h of you.' "Nobody is firing any guns," said Toby. "what's the matter with you? If you want anything, come along." The man advanced, and as he came in the light Toby fired, killing him instantly. The horses were jumping about so that Billings started up on the off side to quiet them; but before he got to them he saw the other robber coming down that side, but the fellow did not appear to see him. Billings, who was unarmed, got back behind the stage, and said: "Boys, he is coming down on this side." Woodruff then stepped out, took deliberate aim and fired, and nearly the same time Toby was bringing down his gun also to fire, and did fire it, but not before the robber had dashed a pistol ball into his arm, which destroyed the aim. The robber then ran off into the bushes, and Woodruff and Billings took Toby to the nearest house. Toby was yesterday about Carson with his arm in a sling, but quite comfortable.

THE MAN WHO WAS KILLED

is a small man, with round features, a light-colored moustache and dark hair, and hands exceedingly small and feminine in appearance. He had on a very fine watch and heavy gold chain. He was a stranger to all who saw the body. Toby was taken to Wellington's, and thence removed to Carson in a buggy. His wound is not thought serious.

This will no doubt break up the stage robbing business for some time to come, and render passengers a little less apprehensive. All who were in the stage say that the two highwaymen exhibited plenty of nerve, but no more than was shown by Toby. They had a little fortification thrown up on each side of the road, and evidently intended to fight the messengers. There is little doubt that these fellows are the same that robbed the Carson stages two months ago, that fired at Finney on Monday night, and that robbed the Bellville and Candelaria stages.

Decapitated by the Cars.

The body was found lying between the rails of the overland track this morning. The head had been entirely severed from the body by the wheels. The poor creature had probably tried to cross the track in front of a moving train, and had been overtaken by the engine. There was not a shred of clothing on the remains when they were discovered. If the unfortunate one were clothed at the time she met her death, her garments must have been torn away by the wheels, or subsequently stripped from the body by human vultures.

One of the strangest circumstances of the affair was the disappearance of the head. It had been in some way carried off before the finding of the body. There are suspicious circumstances connected with the affair. It is possible that the head had been chopped off, and the body brought to the track and left there in order to make the death of the poor victim appear accidental.

The body was that of a well developed young female of plump and symmetrical proportions. There was a great deal of meat on the breast, and the legs had an immense swell from the joint upward. Had the bird lived until Thanksgiving there would'nt have been a finer fowl in market. As it is, the turkey is a dead loss to the owner. No one has yet ascertained to whom it belonged. Some Indian will probably pick up the bird to-day, and there will be a feast in his wickiup.

An Inquiry into the Nativity of a Prominent Citizen.

A discussion arose on the street last evening concerning the nativity of T. K. Hymers, one citizen contending that the famous Commissioner is a Dutchman, another that he is a native of the emerald isle, and still another that he is Scotch. Mr. Hymers was standing near by.

"Mr. Hymers," called one of the crowd.

No answer.

"O Hymers."

Still no answer.

"Tom."

"Well, what do you want," said Hymers as he wheeled around suddenly and came up to the group.

The object of the summons was made known to him. Mr. Hymers stated that his parents were both born in Scotland, but that he himself first saw the light in New York, where his father is still living at the age of 91. Young Tom is only 47.

The dreadful possibility that Hymer might afflict Washoe county for 44 years longer was mournfully dwelt upon by one of the crowd, and depressed the feelings of all. Observing the ill effect of his revelation, Young Tom led the way to a neighboring sanitarium, where the proper remedial agents were taken to dispel the gloom.

The Fatal Accident at Lovelocks.

The Coroner's jury in the case of the man who was killed by falling from the cars at Lovelocks last Tuesday, found a verdict of accidental death. The following note was given by the passengers on the emigrant train for publication:

This is to certify that we were on train No. 5, on which the accident resulting in the death of Wiley Armer occurred. We left Reno at 3 A. M., and had a pleasant trip to near Lovelock, when at 11:30 A M. the fatal accident happened. The two Armer brothers were on their way from San Joaquin county, Cal., to Arkansas, one of them suddenly fell off the train and was instantly killed, the head having been severed from the body. We desire to testify to the kindness of Conductor Plumm and his sympathy for the brother of the unfortunate young man.

Signed by M. W. Starling and many others.

Divorces Granted.

Judge King has granted John W. Boynton a divorce from Mary Boynton, on the ground of habitual intemperance. The common property was divided equally. He has also granted Sarah M. Plummer a divorce from Paul Plummer, on the ground of cruelty and desertion.

UPDIKE REBUKED.

The "Clerical Philanthropist" Comments Rather Severely Upon That "Over-Zealous" Officer's "Extraordinary" Behaviour.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—Had not officer Updike himself thus called me into print, I should not have mentioned his name in print, nor have referred to the unofficer-like as well as unmanly and illegal discharge of his duty upon the occasion of the late fire at Chinatown. First of all, let me deny the statement made in the paper that if I "followed him round he would put me on the brakes;" officer Updike knew his man too well to try that with me or any other citizen who knows his rights as such and will maintain them at all hazards, even though they be threatened by some irresponsible individual "dressed in a little brief authority."

My attention was called to officer Updike's extraordinary behavior by a severe struggle going on between him and a very intelligent looking Chinaman, whom the officer absolutely dragged to the brakes of the engine. I thought, perhaps, the officer was excited, and so I passed on. Returning by the same way, I met the officer dragging several other Chinese to the engine. Behind him were two or three young lads of about seventeen or eighteen, who were urging on the officer. These young lads thought it was real fun, for one called out to others to come and see the sport. Thenceforth I noticed the actions of this over-officious officer, and saw him ranging the multitude, as one in search of prey; and when he found an unfortunate Chinaman, the manner in which he dragged him to the engine was a shame to our intelligent and free community and to the name of an American citizen.

Thinking to temper the action of this over-zealous officer, I spoke to him, and, as every lover of right and liberty should do, entered my protest at his unlawful action. The officer asked me who I was. My reply was: "A citizen with a citizen's rights." Tapping his disgraced official badge with his hand, he told me that he was an officer, and that if he was obstructed in his duty he should arrest me. I informed him that I should not obstruct him, but would see that he did his duty as a man and a citizen. I did keep my eye on him and noticed that he did not, thenceforth, rush through the people as a lion or tiger in search of prey.

Later on Mr. McIntosh called for help on the brakes, and others and myself gladly took a turn, as I have often done in the past and shall not be afraid to do in the future. Just here I would inform officer Updike that I am less afraid of work of any kind than I am of acting a part which shall disgrace me as an intelligent lover of the institutions and liberties of the land that has adopted me as one of its sons, shall disgrace me as a man among men, as a gentleman and a Christian.

Let not officer Updike, for one moment, think that he can "bluff" or frighten me in the discharge of my duty, whatever this may be; the poet tells us that he is thrice armed who is in the right.

In conclusion, I am content to be called a philanthropist;" the English of this word signifies a "Lover of Man." The worst thing that I can wish the officer is that he might remain, as he evidently is, the victim of class and race prejudice, which exhibits itself when the opportunity occurs. I trust he himself may become a "Lover of Man," and thus he will execute his duties more efficiently, with more manly dignity, and with more pleasure to his fellow citizens and conscientious self-approval. A word to the official: Do not aim to be "popular." Be right. I am very truly yours and the officer's to command,

G. F. G. MORGAN,
Pastor Reno Cong'l Church.
Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1880.

Meeting of Fair Trustees.

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Agricultural Society, held Wednesday afternoon, Messrs. Lake, McFarlin, Smith and Powning were present. Updike and Tibbets were awarded the contract for furnishing the music during Fair week; A. C. Blakely, the cigar stand; D. McFarland, the bar; A. Jose, ice cream, fruits, etc.; H. L. W. Knox, the Restaurant, and J. W. Orndoff, the pool selling.

A motion passed to hold the Grand Military Tournament on Tuesday, and requesting the Governor to call out the First Brigade.

The 3 mile-and-repeat trot was declared off.

Depositors Recovering Judgment.

Judgment with interest and costs has been entered against the Reno Savings Bank, by consent of defendant, in favor of the following named plaintiffs and for the amounts stated. The suits were for the recovery of sums on deposit with the bank: Thos. E Haydon, $640; John Lee, ex. Lar come estate, $6,193 32; Jerry Schooling, $1,117 91; A. Strasburger & Co., $422 90; C. A. Bragg, $461 98; and J. Ashcraft, $1,101.

TOWNSHIP CONVENTION.

The Republican Nominees for Reno Township Offices.

The Reno delegates to the Republican County Convention met last week in Reform Club hall to make township nominations.

The Convention was called to order at 7:30, H. L. Fish presiding.

First in the order of business was the nomination of a

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

C. W. Jones, W. H. Young, D. S. Tallman and E. Wattmore were placed in nomination.

First ballot.—Wattmore 0, Tallman 5, Jones 7, Young 14.

W. H. Young was declared the nominee.

FOR CONSTABLE.

the candidates were J. Frazier, I. Chamberlain, Amos Alt, W.H. Getchel, and R. Nash.

First ballot.—Alt 1, Frazier 2, Nash 7, Getchell 7, Chamberlain 9.

Second ballot.—Alt 1, Frazier 1, Getchell 3, Chamberlain 10, Nash 11.

Third ballot.—Getchell 2, Chamberlain 9, Nash 15.

Richard Nash was declared the choice of the Convention.

FOR ROAD SUPERVISOR

B. F. Rhodes, A. Thompson, O. W. Ayers, L. Pendleton and R. Harrison were placed in nomination.

First ballot.—Pendleton 2, Rhodes 3, Harrison 4, Ayers 5, Thompson 12.

Second ballot.—Harrison 1, Pendleton 3, Rhodes 2, Ayers 6, Thompson 14.

A. Thompson was declared the nominee.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

C. A. Bragg and J. L. McFarlin were reelected School Trustees; Bragg short term and McFarlin long term. J. H. Kinkead is the hold over Trustee.

After resolutions to refund Mr. Wattmore his $5 assessment, and to pay the clerks each $2 50 had been passed, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

What a Reno Man up North Thinks About the Gazette and His Surroundings.

SHEEP CAMP, Or,, Aug. 31.

Editor Gazette:—I received your paper beside some back and odd numbers of the GAZETTE. They came as a bright vision, far away out here in the mountains. The sight of a good newspaper from home is better than meeting an old friend.

I have been to Roseburg, O., and moved a band of sheep to Goose Lake valley on the way to Nevada, for the Reno market this winter. I have seen a good deal of southern and eastern Oregon this summer, and don't like it; it is cold, too cold for anything. Water has frozen in my camp kettles for the last three nights, and I am only a mile and a half from Lakeview, low down in the valley. I like the country around Roseberg, but it rained every day that I was there. The much-talked of Rogue River valley is a nice place,—what there is of it—but the valley is all hills, and Goose Lake valley is wet and cold. The farmers and stock men raise a few vegetables, but they can cut lots of hay. Evans has cut about 800 tons and the other stock men proportionally as much. Hay was cut last year and all fed, and yet about one-half the cattle and nearly all the sheep from Rogue river to Honey lake died last winter. It is a good grazing country in the summer, and there are miles of nice timber when the railroad gets through to make an outlet. PUCK.

The Carson and Colorado.

The *True Fissure* says the surveyors on the Carson and Colorado railroad preliminary survey reached Candelaria on Tuesday evening, Aug. 31. The last stake was set on the side of the road about sixty feet north of where Columbus street comes into Main street. The party is under the direction of Chief Engineer Oliver. They came across the level country from Walker lake to Rhode's marsh at almost a walking pace, and in fact from the marsh to within one mile and a half of town no grade was encountered worthy of mention.

What a Gust of Wind Did.

What are Nevada "zephyrs" to such winds as they have in Bodie? This is from the *Standard-News* of the 8th inst.: "This morning, as Miss Brock was passing a small house, a terrific gust of wind blew it over, falling upon and crushing her to the ground. She was immediately rescued from her perilous position much frightened, considerably bruised but not seriously injured."

Boiler for the J. & K. Mill.

John Dixon started for Pyramid last week with a ten-horse team on which was loaded the boiler from the Emma mine. It weighs 8,960 pounds, and has seventy tubes. A smaller team conveyed portions of the engine. The boiler and machinery will be placed in position for the Jones & Kinkead mill.

HUMBOLDT TROUT.

How the Ranchers are Killing Them Out—An Appeal for the Reservation of the Fish.

BEOWAWE, Nev., Sept. 9, 1880.

Editor Gazette:—In your Weekly issue of the 2d inst, I notice an article headed "Cruel Waste," calling attention to the incursions made upon the finny tribe by the ranchers and stockmen along the Humboldt, who divert its waters for irrigating purposes by means of dams and ditches. You are correct in stating that tons of fish perish on this account alone, and we near the headwaters, are beginning to realize the baneful effects of this wilful and wholesale work of destruction. Several years ago the most inexperienced disciple of Isaak Walton amongst us could go out any day and return with a goodly sized string of large trout in a comparatively short time, whilst now, one may fish all day and find nothing on his hook but the bait, and return home with the proverbial (Eastern) "fisherman's luck," often having devoted a whole day to the sport (?). I could point out a number of dams unprovided with "ladders," and ditches without screens, particularly destructful are the latter. I have seen the water turned off at a certain ditch, in the fall, and thousands of young fish, of all kinds inhabiting the Humboldt were destroyed. Is there no law to bring these men, instrumental in bringing about this wholesale fish-killing, to understand that though they have the privilege to use the water, they have no legal right to destroy "all it contains?" I hope you will not let up on these fellows until they are compelled to protect, instead of destroying these fish, and I think all who are, like myself, a lover of the enjoyment incidental to a day's fishing now and then, will heartily indorse your advice. SUBSCRIBER.

GEORGE TROMLITZ.

His Fameus a Sharper—Wanted East and West.

George Tromlitz, who is well known in Reno and Carson, has become famous as a confidence operator. The *Police News* has published the following advertisement, accompanied by a fine woodcut of the insinuating George:

"George Tromlitz, alias Dr. George von Tromlitz, chiropodist, confidence man and dead-beat, wanted East and West."

The *Appeal* gives the following account of him: "The hero of this sketch is now "working" the country east of the Rocky Mountains, in company with a woman named Emma Latham. Prior to coming to this coast he operated successfully as a confidence man in Indiana, Illinois and Ohio, for a while. After he found that matters were beginning to grow a little hot for him, he left for the Pacific Coast. He spent two years in San Francisco and vicinity. In Oakland he married a beautiful young lady, whom he deserted after the birth of a child, and made his way East again. His career in this city is well known, and need not be rehearsed. After leaving Reno, he assumed the name of "Dr. Geo. von Tromlitz," representing himself as a graduate of a famous German university. At Elko he formed the acquaintance of a lady, who became so fascinated with his smooth manners that she assumed his alias and followed him, to her sorrow, until he deserted her at Green River."

A Rare Display of Dry Goods.

Sol. Levy has been getting in an immense stock of fall goods. The ladies are all flocking to see the novelties in hosiery, what-do-ye call-ums and thingumies. An unequalled assortment is presented for inspection. Beautiful dress goods, in unique designs, and of unexampled cheapness; exquisite ribbons, and trimmings of every description; far-too lovely buttons, and fringes, and a rich profusion of marvelous corsets decorated with a wealth of embroidery, rolling in ruching and other things, strew his counters and cumber his shelves. The masculine mind breaks down in utter imbecility when confronted with the thousand and one attractions of Sol Levy's establishment. The ladies must go and see for themselves.

Probable Visit of the President.

It is not yet known that President Hayes will attend the Fair in Reno, but the probabilities are that he will. He will attend the Sacramento Fair, and from Sacramento will notify the Trustees here whether he can attend our State Fair or not.

Citizens by Adoption.

Judge King has admitted the following named persons to citizenship since the opening of the District Court for the present term: Patrick Hickey, M. L. Jodin, John Hayes, Richard Blundell, Thos. Lahart, Hermann Bregge, Richard Psalter, John Burke, Jos. Dunn, Virginia Bonnotte.

STATE FAIR

Entries for the Trots All Filled.

g Trump.

H. L. Burns, of Eureka, names b m Fannie.

R. J. Merkley, of Sacramento, names b h Ewing.

R. V. Borden, of Reno, names s g Col. Perry.

R. V. Borden, of Reno, names d g Buck.

RACE NO. 18.

Free for all; 3 in 5; $300; $200 to 1st; $100 to 2d.

Matt Canavan, of Virginia, names br Maggie C.

Jack Cochrane, of Greenville, names s g Ashley.

O. P. Keyes, of Carson, names br g Brushy John.*

(*Conditioned as above.)

The following statements from D. B. Boyd, and from the Trustees of the Reno Savings Bank are submitted for publication:

E. J. Travis, of Palisade, names blk g Trump.

Matt Canavan, of Virginia, names br m Maggie C.

O. P. Keyes, of Carson, names br g Brushy John.*

*Conditioned, that satisfactory proofs of re-instatement be furnished, and that the owners of other horses entered for this race agree to his starting.

RACE NO. 12.

Two miles and repeat; $250; $150 to 1st; $100 to 2d.

J. J. Nichols, of Virginia, names g h W. Woodburn.

J. H. Maxwell, of Susanville, names g s Wm. Tell.

M. J. Rapp, of Steamboat, names g h Quincy Chief.

RACE NO. 17.

2:40 class; free for all; $400; $250 to 1st; $150 to 2d.

J. J. Nichols, of Virginia, names blk m Margo.

E. V. Spencer, of Susanville, names b m Belle Spencer.

E. J. Travis, of Palisade, names blk

The following are the entries for the State Fair trotting races:

RACE NO 4.

2:50 Class; 3 in 5; $250; $200 to 1st, $50 to 2d:

J. J. Nichols of Virginia names bk m, Margo.

Smith Hill, of Reno, names br g Fred B.

E. J. Travis, of Palisade, names blk g Trump.

John Baxter, of Susanville, names g g Greenback.

E. H. Downer, of Reno, names g h McClellan.

R. V. Borden, of Reno, names s g Col. Perry.

R. V. Borden, of Reno, names d g Buck.

RACE NO. 10.

Mile and repeat for 3-year olds; $150; $100 to 1st; $50 to 2d.

Alf. Hill, of Reno, names s c Salem.

C. Jones, of Reno, names blk m Maybird.

M. J. Terney, of Reno, names bay f Mountain Girl.

RACE NO. 11.

2:26 class; 3 in 5; $400; $250 to 1st; $150 to 2d.

Jack Cochrane, of Greenville, names s g Ashley.

The Stage Robbers.

The stage robber shot near Aurora in the recent encounter with messenger Tobin has not been identified. The robber who escaped has not yet been captured. Tobin is rapidly recovering from his wound. The treasure boxes on the Bodie stages are now chained down in the boot so that they cannot be removed. The Bodie *Free Press* of the 9th says that on Tuesday afternoon a man was arrested between the Twelve-mile House and Carson on suspicion of being the surviving stage robber whose exploits created such a sensation on Saturday night last. Arrangements were made to bring him up to Aurora; but later in the day Jim Hume, Wells, Fargo & Co.'s detective, caused the man's discharge. Still another man has been taken in custody by Messenger H. C. Ward, who is supposed to have been concerned in the Belleville stage robbery, if not in that on the Carson road. He will be brought into Aurora.

The New School House Absolutely Safe.

RENO, Sept. 11, 1880.

To the Trustees of Reno School District No. 10.

We, the undersigned carpenters and builders, have this day carefully examined and inspected the new school house in Reno, and unhesitatingly pronounce it safe. As an additional security, however, we would recommend a few more stays under the roof to protect it against heavy snows. In all other respects the building is absolutely safe. Yours respectfully,

J. S. SELLERS,
S. MYERS,
F. COOK,
JAS. KENNEDY,
F. M. PAYNE.

BY TELEGRAPH.

The President's Reception in California

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—Governor Perkins and the reception committees from San Francisco and Oakland, met the Presidential party at Blue Canyon this morning and accompanied them to Sacramento, when, after a brief reception at the depot, the train proceeded on its way. At Benicia and other points *en route*, great crowds gathered to greet the party. At half past eleven the party reached the station at Sixteenth street, Oakland, and were escorted to the Court House, where the Mayor welcomed the President in a brief address, to which the President responded. After the speeches the procession formed and the order of march was taken up. Oakland is gaily decorated with flags and evergreens. There is an immense crowd in the streets and great enthusiasm.

The fall of an awning badly injured fifteen or twenty people, mostly women and children.

Not Like Homer's Hero.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—The match between Ulysses Grant, Jr., and Miss Jennie Flood is said to be broken off. One explanation is that the young man is fickle, and another is that some other fair damsel claims his attention.

The New Charter Rejected.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—The returns of the charter election are completed. The vote stands: For adoption, 4,145; against, 19,207.

Washington Territory Republicans.

The Republican Convention of Washington Territory met at Vancouver yesterday, and nominated Thomas H. Brents a delegate to Congress. The contest in Clarke county has made a split in the party which threatens to prove disastrous.

Latest from the Colliery Explosion.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—The latest from the Seaham colliery explosion says: 59 miners have been rescued, and 130 are to be accounted for. Work is suspended on the two middle seams of coal on account of fire. All the miners there have undoubtedly perished.

The President at Petaluma.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—The President, Gen. Sherman and Secretary Ramsey to-day visited the Petaluma fair, and were accorded a handsome reception there. The ladies of the party remain in the city, on account of fatigue.

Two Legs Against Four.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—In the man vs. horse race, the leading man at noon to day had a score of 437 miles; the leading horse, one of 431.

A Horrible Death.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Sept 11.—E. B. Parnow and son, and a man named Luster were working at Shawhan's distillery yesterday, when a large wooden still full of boiling mash burst and they were completely cooked by the hot liquid. They lived a few moments, but their eyes were put out, flesh fell from their bones, and their agony was terrible. The other workmen were not seriously injured.

Byrne Leads the Horses.

CHICAGO, Sept. 11.—The test race at the pavilion finds Byrne with a fine lead of thirteen miles at noon to-day, over the nearest horse. The score stands: men: Byrne, 542; Krohre 494, Colston, 489; Schoch 402: Horses: Betsy Baker, 529; Rose of Texas, 500: Both Man's entry 464, Dunn's entry 474.

Honors to Hayes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—The Presidential party this morning made a tour of the Bay in a steamer, being greeted with salutes from various fortifications, and finally proceeded to the residence of General McDowell at Black Point, where a reception is now being held.

The Number Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—A hundred and sixty-five miners were killed by the Seaham colliery explosion.

Horses for California.

The *Silver State* says a band of about 700 head of horses, from Dan Murphy's ranch, in Elko county, is being driven down the river to California. They will probably pass here this evening or to-morrow.

IN CONVENTION.

The Deliberations of the Democracy as to the County Ticket.

The Democratic County Convention met at Nevada Theatre at 10 o'clock A. M. L. J. Flint, Chairman of the Central Committee, called the meeting to order. T. E. Haydon was made temporary Chairman, Captain J. M. Flannagan temporary Secretary, and Chas. Gulling assistant. A Committee on Credentials was composed of W. E. Lemmons, N. J. Foxwell, Maurice May, J. O. Gregory and D. D. Bowen. The Committee reported in about fifteen minutes. The Convention adopted a resolution barring out proxies, and ordering delegations to cast the vote of absent members from their precinct. On motion of Mr. Updike, T. E. Haydon was elected permanent Chairman, Captain Flannagan was elected permanent Secretary and Chas. Gulling assistant. O. H. Smith and A. C. McFarlin were appointed tally Clerks, A. J. Smith Sergeant-at-arms; Committee on Platforms, E. Meyer, F. C. Updike, J. W Cuningham, J. W. Whitehead, Maurice May, A. A. Longley and Pat. Henry; Committee on Order of Business, G. W. Mersmon, C. Harlan, F. C. Dickinson, W. Lyle and Henry Whistler.

Adjourned until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention reassembled at 2 o'clock J. E. Jones was nominated for State Senator, and declined. Jerry Schooling was nominated for Senator by acclamation, although Mr. Hagerman declined for him.

C. Gulling was nominated for Assemblyman but declined. H. B. Cossitt declined. W. F. Berry and A. A. Longley declined. L. J. Flint declined. Other nominations were being made when the GAZETTE went to press.

Ross Lemers, E. Z. Baily and W F. Berry were made the nominees for Assemblymen by acclamation. W. A. Walker was nominated for Sheriff by aclamation. R S. Osburn received the nomination for County Clerk. The vote was Osburn 28, Parish 15.

A Statement From the Reno Savings Bank.

RENO, Nev., Sept. 9, 1880.

To the Board of Trustees of the Reno Savings Bank:

I have carefully examined the books and accounts of said Bank, and find as follows:

Total amt. due depositors	$182,715 03
Due on bills payable	59,424 72
Total	$242,139 75

ASSETS AS PER BOOKS:

Due from depositors	$ 83,651 53
Due on notes and mortgages	124,302 56
Real estate and personal property	21,945 76
Reno Gas stock	12,633 33
Miscellaneous assets, stock and cash	15,526 30
Total	$258,149 48
Excess of ass'ts ov'r liabilities	$ 16,009 73

For details see accompaning report.

D. B. BOYD, Cashier.

RENO, Sept. 9, 1880.

We, the Trustees of the Reno Savings Bank, have carefully examined the report of D. B. Boyd and the securities held by the Bank and have deducted from the assets all bad and doubtful accounts, aggregating the sum of $24,146. And we hereby authorize said D. B. Boyd to immediately collect said assets by suit or otherwise, and distribute the money to the creditors of said Bank.

M. C. LAKE,
L. L. CROCKETT,
JAS. H. KINKEAD,
JAS. KINKEAD. } Trustees.

A Brave Miner's Exploit

Foreman Kellogg of the Hale & Norcross mine explored a hot drift the other day at the risk of his life. The drift was on the 2,200, level and unused. It had no ventilation, and the dry air it contained showed a temperature of 158, only forty less than the boiling point on the Comstock. By way of preparation for his terrible feat "he saturated a woolen shirt with ice water and bound it on and over his head, leaving but a single eye exposed. He then muffled both hands, and thus prepared entered the drift, leaving with the Superintendent the request that, if he did not return in fifteen minutes, the drift should be closed behind him, to be opened no more." Kellogg returned in twelve minutes. One of his hands had become bare, and the back of it was covered with blisters. The exploration of the drift was absolutely necessary for the safety of the men in the mine.

Planets and Pleiads.

Jupiter and Saturn are now conspicuous objects in the evening sky. At 9 o'clock both planets may be seen in the east well above the horizon. Some of Jupiter's moons should be easily detected by the aid of a good field or opera glass. Both Jupiter and Saturn may be easily recognized by their size and the steadiness of their light, glowing with a steadfast brightness, as do all the planets. The return of the Pleiades marks the arrival of the season when the leaves wither and fall.

JOTTINGS

— There are 201 pupils enrolled at the public school.

— Newt Evans' new boy has kept his arrival very quiet. He got here Sept. 6th.

— There is nothing new on the Fair grounds. The track is in good condition, and the horses are all right.

— September has an "r" in it, and ushers in the oyster season. Merrill finds the demand active.

— The Republican County Central Committee has elected J. C. Smith, Chairman, C. McKenny Secretary, and R. H. Kinney Treasurer.

— The County Commissioners granted a petition for the creation of a school district in Roop county. They will meet again on the 20th.

— Mrs. Scott has returned to her old home, corner of West and Second, and has some nice rooms to rent.

— A Reno Democrat said yesterday, very confidentially, that he was "expiring for the office of Constable."

—Mrs. Ward has received a lot of monstrous peaches from her sister in Newcastle, Cal. Newcastle is the place for fine fruit.

— Every man should make an effort to secure himself a house, a homestead for his family. Those who fail in this can find more substantial comforts at the White House, in the way of wearing apparel, than can be had in the best private dwelling in the land.

— It seems to be the height of folly for a young man trying to make his way in the world to send down "to the Bay" for a $50 suit of clothes, when he can get just as good and stylish a fit at the White House for $25 or less.

— The mosquitoes are still very troublesome on the meadows. There isn't a horse down at Glendale that wouldn't give up all hope of oats hereafter for a yard of extra tail now.

— P. N. Marker and Jos. Barstow accompanied C.S. Varian on his recent trip to Mt. Rose. They all set out from Washoe on horseback, ascending the mountain from the west, and riding all the way to the summit.

— There is a rumor in circulation that the White House sells goods so cheap that it will have to go under before Christmas. The proprietors explain that their low prices are owing to their unequaled advantages in buying.

— The Truckee river is now low enough to expose the rocks that were familiar objects in its bed last summer. It is, however, considerably higher than it was at this time last year. The snow has nearly all gone from the mountains.

OLD WINNEMUCCA DEAD,

According to Reports Among the Indians—He is said to Have Been Murdered.

For a few days past a report has been in circulation among the Piute Indians on Pyramid Lake reservation that old Winnemucca is dead, and that he met the Destroyer under very mysterious and suspicious circumstances, indicating foul play. It seems that many years ago this old deer hunter hunted and caught a dear, which he took to his wigwam, a dusky mate from one of the Indian tribes in Oregon, and by whom he had one daughter. This daughter, as the years rolled on, grew to woman's estate, and in due time gave her heart and hand in marriage to one of the tribe to which her mother belonged.

A few weeks ago, as the story runs, old Winnemucca on his way, perhaps, to Malheur reservation, visited the tribe where his daughter resides, and urged her to leave her house and husband and accompany him on his journey. To this the daughter, her husband and, in fact, all her kith and kin, objected. After repeated urgings and refusals the old warrior departed on a pony, taking with him, however, a gun belonging to his son-in-law. His expectant friends, failing to greet his arrival as they hoped, instituted a search for the missing chief. He could not be found. In a few days the pony which he rode away returned to camp without its rider, but with blood plainly visible on his side. The Indians followed back the trail by which the pony returned, and soon found the lifeless body of the old man prone upon the ground, but revealing wounds sufficient to show that death had not resulted from natural causes.

Such is the story, whether true or false, of the tragic fate of one of the oldest representatives of the Piutes, whose life and deeds are wrought into the history of his tribe, whose gravity was more than equalled by his vanity, and who usually gave his name as "H-e-a-p Old Winnamucca."

A Train Rolling in Blood.

The *Silver State* is informed that the emigrant train on which young Armer met his death near Lovelocks, on Tuesday, ran over and killed three persons between San Francisco and this place. The first was over in the foothills of California, the second in the mountains west of Truckee; and the third, Wiley Armer, near Lovelocks. Two were tramps, one of whom was almost cut in two, and the other had both legs cut off. The third, Armer, a passenger, had his head completely severed from his body.

Murderous Assault Upon R. L. Fulton

About half past 2 o'clock Saturday last R. L. Fulton, of the GAZETTE, was standing at the door of the White House. Captain Gilson, whose character has been thoroughly ventilated in the last two numbers of this paper, came up with a big stick and made a motion to strike. The editor was ready for him, and the editorial six-shooter was instantly at right angles with the once white and glittering front of Capt. Gilson's shirt. This demonstration caused the Captain's arm to drop feebly by his side, and yielding to the unanswerable logic of the shining weapon, he delivered himself of some good round oaths and went away from there.

The "Dinner-Bucket Racket."

The "dinner-bucket racket" is the latest imposition on the Comstock. The impostor plays the "honest miner" by means of a dinner pail which he carries in his hand. Going into a restaurant with his pail he gets trust for a month's board, on the supposition that he is a miner and will be paid off at the end of the month.

Dragged to Jesus.

A muscular and energetic negro revivalist is at work in Little Rock "I sees a good many old tuffs in dis house," he said, in one of his meetings, "an I wants em to come up ter de mourner's bench right now. Dey's got ter come. De Lord done say I wish you would do anything', but says you's got to do it. Firmness is religion. De rock of ages is made outen flint. Mr. Johnson", said the preacher, addressing a sinner, "come up an' put yer head on dis bench. I'se played kyards wid yer, but you'se got ter reform. Come on, I tells you; is yer comin'?" "No I isn't" said Mr. Johnson. Den I'll fetch yer. You'se been standin' off de preachers long 'nough." The preacher left the pulpit, advanced to where Mr. Johnson was standing, and caught him by the collar. The two men began struggling, and confusion prevailed; but Mr. Johnson was dragged to the bench.

Gen. Sherman's Impressions of Winnemucca.

From the Silver State.

General Sherman appeared on the platform of a car, in true frontier style, without coat or vest, and smilingly said, "Good morning!" "Is this Winnemucca?" asked the General of the Army. "It is," responded half a dozen voices at once. "It seems to me a grasshopper would starve to death here," was the uncomplimentary reply of the General.

Agricultural Information.

From the Boston Transcript.

An old farmer writes to us that he has come to the conviction that the topdressing of lawns costs less on his lands than it does on his wife.

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ST. JULIEN AS A COLT.

Trustworthy from the Time He was Driven to a Milk Wagon.

From the New York Sun.

NEWBURG, N. Y., Aug. 12.—An intimate friend of Joseph S. Dunning of Denton, this county, who raised St. Julien and his full brother St. Reno, and who sold the former to James A. Galway, then of Goshen, for $600, said yesterday: "St. Julien was a natural-born trotter; he never knew how to strike any other gait. I spent many a day with Mr. Dunning and I know all about the horse, and Hickok never would have bought him if he was not just what I tell you. Of course St. Julien is a wonder, and his full brother, St. Reno, now owned, I think, by Dr. H. A. Pooler, owner of the Goshen Driving Park, and being handled by the man, if any one, who made St. Julien a trotter—Billy Sargeant—is likely to be no her. Now, if you want the full history of the early life of St. Julien, which has never been published, I can give it to you. Joe Dunning raised both horses on his farm between Denton and Middletown, this county. There is about one year between their ages, and Volunteer is their father. Both horses were driven together in a team for a long time, doing farm work, road driving and marketing. They were then colts, and Joe Dunning had no idea that he had such

VALUABLE TROTTERS.

Neither were nervous to speak of. Indeed, and especially St. Julien, they were as docile and quiet as colts could possibly be. One of the principal features of the team's daily work was driving milk to the railroad station. This was how St. Julien was broken into harness, and was about the first work he ever did; in fact it was, I think, a milk wagon that he first hauled along the road behind him and, that too, when he was colt. Many a time I have driven the team to the station with milk myself, and St. Julien never thought of striking anything but a trot. He never showed the least sign of skittishness, and, what is more, never wobbled all over the road as colts generally do. He trotted square and level, and always straight ahead. I remember once, while visiting Joe, we started out to go off and visit a friend several miles away. We drove St. Julien. The night was frightfully dark, and it was impossible to see the horse in front of us. Now if there had been any nervousness about him do you suppose we'd started? We hadn't the least trouble with him. And so it was always with St. Julien until Joe Dunning sold him. The horse was more like an old mare—

STEADY AND RELIABLE—

Than like a frisky, frettful unmanageable young colt. Nature made St. Julien a level, honest trotter, and if any one is to be credited with developing the speed that was in him, Sargeant is the man. Every horseman who saw him trot the first year he went on the turf knew this. Why, his performances that year speak for themselves. Just look at it. It was the first time he was ever in races. He started in this big circuit under the guidance of Sargeant, who made for his owner, Mr. Galway, at least $20,000 that year in seven or eight races. I kept track of the horse after his debut at Cleveland until he had trotted six races, and in all of them he took first money. And, mind you, he won them all in three straight heats, and in no heat did he make a skip or even a 'hitch.' Didn't that stamp him as a natural born trotter? Like Goldsmith Maid, some of the best of American trotters have made their records by skipping and 'hitching,' but St. Julien never in his life trotted in any other way than like a machine. Mr. Galway, who bought St. Julien of Joe Dunning, made a fortune out of him in one year. It is said St. Julien is the only horse that sold for the same price, or less, who ever coined so much money for his owner in one year.

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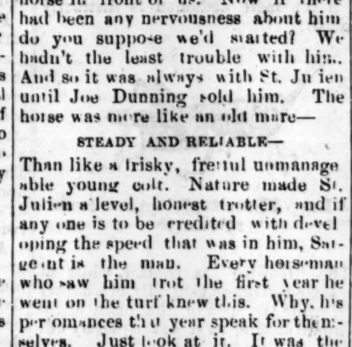

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THE LOCUST SCOURGE.

Ravages of the Grasshoppers in Sierra Valley.

Destruction of the Alfalfa Crop On Truckee Meadows.

Description of the Plague and Its Best Known Remedies.

[J. G Lemmon in the S. F. Bulletin]

The locust scourge of eastern California continues unabated. The wholesale destruction of crops so painfully exhibited in Sierra Valley for three years past is repeated in part this season, and also extended over a large area of country north and south. Nearly all the valleys flanking the Sierra on the east, and extending from Modoc county to Mono, are more or less afflicted, and contiguous regions are frightfully menaced.

The importance of the subject impelled the writer to visit the locality in August last and make a careful examination. Arrived at Reno, the wildest stories were told of the insect plague, and various conflicting theories were advanced as to the laws governing its present appearance and its future destiny. Citizens kindly aided in getting about the country and in prosecuting research.

We drove over the famous alfalfa fields of Truckee Meadows, at once the principal agricultural wealth of Nevada and the prophecy of its future, to find many of the wide-stretching fields shorn of every green leaf, not by the usual noisy mowing machine, but by millions of imported, silent, devouring insects. The extent of the destruction can be appreciated when we consider that the annual yield of alfalfa for this one valley is 20,000 to 23,000 tons. This year, though a fine one, owing to abundant snow last Winter, the crop will not exceed 15,000 tons. At $7 per ton for standing crops, the loss exceeds $50,000. In Sierra Valley last year the loss was $150,000, and for the three years of the scourge it was over $272,000. The present year's loss is not yet estimated, but it will be much less than formerly, owing to the marked diminution of locusts in the north end of the valley—the part first attacked—and, happily, where the insect first disappears.

Tidings from reliable persons show that the locusts are abundant on the bottom lands of Pitt river, and are busily depositing eggs there again. In certain localities reported all along the region mentioned, egg-depositing is going on at a rate that is sufficient to menace with heavy loss the whole Pacific coast, provided it is found that the present scourge is composed of species of locusts that are migratory in their habits—and such is the painful fact.

This is no idle statement, criminally uttered to create alarm, but sadly true, as the specimens collected clearly prove.

Upon careful examination with powerful microscopes, and critical comparison with authenticated specimens from the interior, the scourge this year is not alone caused by the Œdipoda atrox, or "Atrocious Locust," a comparatively innocent species, but he is now reinforced by at least two species of the notorious and terrible migratory locusts of the interior, but, happily, found too short-winged for extended flight.

These species belong to one family and are the "Red-legged Locusts" (Caloptenus femursubrum), so called from the usual color of its hind shanks, and the "Lesser Locust" (Caloptenus atlantis), so named from its small size—about three fourths of an inch long. These two species, with the "Hated Locust" (Caloptenus spretus), called

Rocky Mountain or Hated Locust—(Caloptenus Spretus.)

also the "Rocky Mountain Locust," from its place or origin, constitute the great scourge of the interior. The last mentioned is the most numerous, and is principally responsible for the appalling visitation during the years 1873 to 1877, when the damage is calculated at the enormous sum of $200,000,000, nearly equal to the total obliteration of San Francisco with its amassed wealth of $217,000,000.

The raids of this species have not been authoritatively reported as extending towards the Pacific Coast nearer than the sink of the Humboldt river in the State of Nevada, but Professor Thomas, in a late letter to the writer, declares his opinion that the Spretus, or "Hated Locust," has aided in the past depredations in California, despite all evidence to the contrary, and his suspicion seems to be corroborated by the late discovery, August 22d, at Franktown, between Reno and Carson, of several specimens of a locust savagely at work, and resembling, if not identical with the notorious Spretus.

Be this as it may, the other two marauders are certainly here at work, and, combined with the damage by the local scourge, the "Atrocious Locust," the destruction of crops in certain localities goes steadily on.

THE MARAUDERS DESCRIBED.

These facts should render interesting a brief description of these predatory insects:

First, what are locusts proper? Negatively they are not what are often called such—the noisy, big-headed harvest flies called "17-year locusts" at the East. These are a species of Cicada resembling a large horse fly, but making a shrill, rythmical noise with its wings and only injuring trees by piercing the young parts with their long, hard beak and sucking the sap. Neither are locusts to be confounded with crickets, the males of which make a gentle "chirruping" sound, and the females are provided with a long, hard scabbard or ovipositor, with which she pierces the earth and down through which she deposits her eggs.

True locusts, or grasshoppers, are insects of the straight-wing order (Orthoptera). They have a large head, short and stout feelers (antennæ), mouth furnished with strong sidewise moving jaws, and long, strong hind legs. The female abdomen terminates in four short horn-like organs arranged in pairs, one moving outward and upward, the other pair outward and downward when drilling holes in the earth for her eggs. The abdomen of the male rounds upward at the end like the prow of a boat.

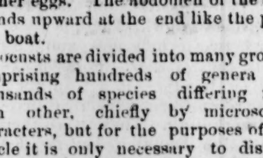
Locusts are divided into many groups, comprising hundreds of genera and thousands of species differing from each other, chiefly by microscopic characters, but for the purposes of this article it is only necessary to distinguish the two genera concerned in the present California invasion.

CALOPTENUS (CLEARWINGS).

The members of this large genus may be at once known by the presence of a curious spine or blunt thorn, like a yellow awl-point, which they bear under the neck, between the fore legs; also the males have the last abdominal segment greatly enlarged as well as upturned. There are 29 species in the United States but three of which are found on the Pacific Coast, the "Hated Locusts" (C. spretus), the "Red-leg" (C. femurrubrum), and the "Lesser" (C. Atlanis).

All of these are migratory, terribly destructive, and are known to have caused the great damage to the interior—and are suspected of aiding in the great invasion of 1838 and 1855, on the Pacific Coast.

The "Hated Locust" is usually 1¼ to 1½ inches long, of a reddish brown color, with darker spots on body and wings. The long wings, on which it depends for its long flights of sometimes a thousand miles, extend a quarter of an inch beyond the body. The tip of the male abdomen is distinctly noticed,



Red-Legged Locust—(Caloptenus femurrubrum.)

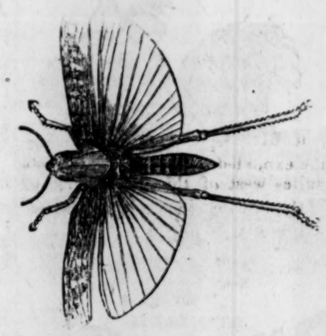
The "Red-leg" is shorter, while of the same thickness, generally of a darker hue, while the apex of the male abdomen is truncate, as if cut squarely off.

Lesser Locust — Caloptenus atlantis.)

The "Lesser" is much smaller than the others, of brighter, contrasting gray and olive colors, and with a white line passing diagonally from the base of the wing down to the hind thigh,

ŒDIPODA (BIG-LEGS).

This is a smaller genus usually non-migratory and a harmless locust. But one species has, for some mysterious reason, become migratory in California to the extent of a few miles annually, and is then very destructive. This genus is without the curious spine under the neck, having a round Adam's apple instead, and the male abdomen is not enlarged, but tapers to a point. The principal species of the genus—the one with which we are concerned, is called the "Atrocious locust."



California Atrocious Locust—(Œdipoda atrox).

The females are about an inch and a quarter long, of a light gray or grayish yellow color; the males a quarter shorter, and of a lighter yellowish or straw color. The males out-number the females four or more to one, and are often mistaken for another species.

The "Atrocious locust" is found normally scattered all over the country, but this coast seems to be its headquarters or habitat, where the conditions favor its permanent residence and full development, and where from Santa Barbara and Fresno to Sacramento and Shasta, loud complaints have often arisen of its swarming in immense numbers and eating the crops.

The atrocious locust (Œdipoda atrox) is the grasshopper most frequently seen in the vicinity of the bay and even on the streets of San Francisco, so he may be caught and studied by any one. Ordinarily it is harmless by its fewness in numbers, but at any season, favored by Mother Nature, it may become immensely numerous and destructive, as seen now in Eastern Oregon, Eastern and Southern California.

LOCAL INVASION.

Away back in the last century locusts plagues were noted as occurring near San Francisco bay, and a dozen invasions are recorded, the most noted being in the year 1855, when the whole Sacramento Valley was more or less devastated.

An eye witness declares: "About the middle of July locusts came from the south in immense numbers and alighting on the foothills, covered the sides in multitudes, gnawing the bark from the shrubs, devouring the leaves and eating grass and grain down to the roots."

A Sacramento paper states: "For about three hours in the middle of the day the air to the heighth of 200 feet was literally thick with locusts. A wholesale destruction was made of everything green in the neighborhood."

A Shasta paper notes "an immense flight of locusts, most of them very high," followed by great destruction.

These locust invasions, which occur so suddenly by high-flying insects that, when they alight, scramble about and devour every green thing, even to the bark of trees, must be some members of the long-winged, migrating Caloptenus family described, against which there is no remedy. The ancient Egyptian plagues and the present Asiatic locusts, as also the destructive species of South America and Mexico, belong to the same great class of spine bearers.

As stated, the Atrocious locust, which is usually few in numbers and non-migratory, has for three years past devastated Sierra Valley, and last year sent colonies out to the south and west into Truckee Meadows and the valleys of Tahoe lake, Donner, and the high valleys about the railroad pass, and this year they are swarming more or less over the whole region.

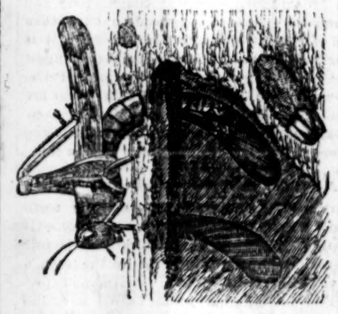
What has often been noticed at the East is seen here too—all the locusts of the region go on the war-path together, at least as far as the short wings of some of them will allow. It seems some favoring conditions of nature cause the rapid increase, and migrating and destructive eating are matters of necessity with them. So, here in all the afflicted region, locusts at some time of the year are found in vast numbers, and each devours his favorite food.

First, the "Atrocious" locust appears early in July and attacks grain and grass on the high and dry localities, though he can, if pinched, relish rank growths of swamp grass and tule. Later comes the bright little "Lesser" locust attacking the heavier plants along the water courses and the garden vegetables. The "Red-leg" brigand lastly pounces upon the shrubs and fruit trees, first devouring the leaves, then the fruit and twigs.

At Reno this season another large green locust, over two inches long, is found following the bad example of the Caloptenus family (to which his long neck-spine allies him), in defoliating the fruit, shrubs and trees, being especially fond of roses and poplars. Also the "Coral-wing" grasshopper is seen trooping along with the gourmands, and the large, gray, long-winged, but harmless "Clapper" locust follows lazily after. Still another, the large green-striped locust is too short-winged for flight at all, and wisely keeps to his eating of the umbellifer plants along the ditches, actually doing man a service by eating off the poison wild parsnip, so fatal to cattle.

FIGHTING THE SCOURGE.

Man is almost at the mercy of these tiny insects, especially of the migrating locusts, that any fair day in Summer, may swoop down out of the sky in numbers that defy resistance. But the local species, those that deposit eggs here may often be much reduced by vigilant and intelligent co-operation.



Egg depositing and nest.

When by chance the insects choose a place for egg-depositing that can be plowed, it is advisable to turn it over and bury the eggs deeply. If it is in grass land where plowing is not desirable or not possible, yet where a harrow can be used, the eggs may be stirred up and caused to addle if a sharp harrow is employed, which at the same time does not injure the grass roots. Again, if the spot selected be rocky or brushy so that it cannot be cultivated, it may be enclosed by a fence, and then stock be turned in when the rain has well soaked the ground so that by the treading of the animals eggs may be displaced and so spoiled.

From the mass of plans and practices that have been published for fighting the scourge, the following comes from one of the most eminent and practical farmers and naturalists in California, Elwood Cooper of Santa Barbara. His enemy was the atrox or "atrocious locust" described, and which in 1877 infested the coast region from Point Conception to Santa Barbara: "On my ranch of 2,000 acres the bed of egg deposit did not amount to more than five or six acres. I marked these spots carefully so that when the rainy season came I could plow the ground deeply and thus destroy the eggs. Next year while grasshoppers by the million were produced on adjoining ranches, none hatched on my place."

In Sierra Valley several farmers tried plowing with satisfaction, and it was often remarked that wherever the eggs were disturbed, as by animals walking over their beds in the wet season, the

Locust nest within burrow—(a) Side view; (b) under view; (c) top view.

eggs were destroyed. The benefit of destroying eggs when possible is seen in this: The young atrox hatch out in May and feed until July before acquiring wings, when they may rise and fly to other fields. If the young do not hatch out in or near one's field, the harvest may be saved if fit to cut before July 4th. Of course, all second crops, with fruits and garden vegetables, are precarious where locusts are known to be in the region and may fly any day. In the Truckee Meadows this season the first crop of timothy and alfalfa was mostly saved, except where young locusts abounded.

MOTHER NATURE'S CHECKS.

One of the grandest laws of Nature is that every animal, every plant, in time meets a check. Even the slowest breeding animal would soon overrun the country, were the counteracting influences by any means removed, while the more prolific species would do so in an incredibly short space of time. Mother Nature, alike kind to all and cruel to all, advances her grand purposes, maintaining alike her myriads of species, each warring upon others and gaining temporary supremacy, succumbing only when in consequence of changed conditions, one species after another becomes too weak for its competitors, and is extinguished.

When a graminivorous insect like the locust becomes numerous, at once its enemies—those that fatten upon it—become abundant too, and invariably they get the upper hand and reduce the pest to limits; hence a particular plant eater may be frightfully destructive one year, and be scarcely heard of the next, being quietly checked by some unseen foe. It is a comfort to know this and particularly to be assured that no insect has more or fiercer enemies than the locust. Something over fifty kinds of insects that prey upon the locust have been described, including wasps as big as itself, and little parasite mites no larger than pinheads, but which, by their great numbers, speedily suck the blood and soon kill their host.

THE DIGGER WASP.

One of the most amusing scenes connected with the subject of locust enemies is that of the attack of the Digger

A Locust enemy (Pompilus; species not determined) enlarged.

Wasp, a species of Pompilus. Having seized a locust and benumbed it by a quick thrust with its sting, he proceeds to drag it swiftly along the ground, using both legs and wings for the task, until a clean place is reached. The wasp selects a spot free from grass roots and commences digging a hole, swiftly scratching away the sand, frequently raising quite a dust, desisting occasionally to look after his victim, evidently on the watch for body snatchers. When the pit is excavated to the depth of an inch or more and of sufficient size to contain the locust, the latter is dragged to the edge and tumbled in, projecting legs and other parts cut off, then all packed closely in the bottom. An egg is lastly placed in the body of the locust, when the earth is again scratched into the grave, and before the dust settles, away hurries the little wasp for another locust.

THE RED, SILKY MITE.

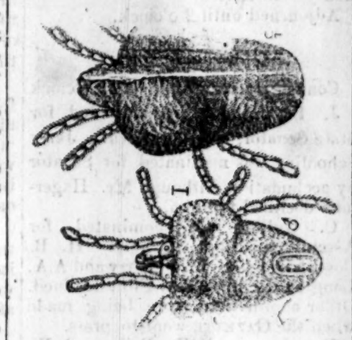
Chief among the parasitic enemies of the locust is the red, silky mite. It is a wonderful creature, appearing so diverse at different stages of its existence as to have received several widely distinct names. Its history has at last been cleared up and the name established Trombidium locustarum. In its larvæ stage this little mite, like a louse, attacks the locust, fastening upon its wings, legs or body, and draining its host of blood, becoming itself red and immensely swollen like an oblong bladder filled with blood.

When gorged it falls to earth, there to undergo transformations that result in a

Locust Parasite (Trombidium locustarum) Larva on locust wing much enlarged.

beautiful red, silky, spider-like insect about one-quarter as large as a kernel of wheat. These may be seen in some places so thick as to redden the ground, and in Sierra Valley their presence was a sure guide to the locality of egg deposits.

This curious little mite has been credited with the routing or destruction of the spretus in the interior, in certain sections, and, what is very singular, of so affecting the instincts of the locust a



Locust Parasite (Trombidium locustarum) upper cut, female; lower cut, male, both enlarged 15 diameters.

to prevent its progeny from invading a country where this valiant little enemy abounds.

Locust enemy. Larva of a Hoverer Fly (Pompilus; species not determined) much enlarged.

THE LARGE WHITE GRUB.

Another enemy which has proved very destructive in Sierra Valley is the larvæ of an insect whose full-grown form was unknown until this Spring. The same larvæ has excited much interest in the interior by its effective onslaught upon the eggs of locusts. It seeks out a nest of eggs, eats the contents of the whole nest, 24 to 32 eggs, one by one, pushes the shells aside, while his own body, big and fat with the feast, fills the whole case, in which condition he curls up and enters upon his long Winter's nap. This dormant stage lasts till Spring, during which time the grub is about half an inch long and one-fifth thick, being largest in the middle and tapering slightly towards its head and tail. In this State several specimens at different times have been sent to Professor Riley at Washington, but he failed to perfect them in his vivarium. However, the question has been solved this Spring in Sierra Valley. Some earth with an ascertained number of this larvæ therein was carefully watched under glass. In July a beautiful little velvet-bodied fly, a species of Pompilus appeared, having a long, black beak, with which it sucks nectar from flowers, to which it swiftly darts, then hovers above them like a humming bird while sipping the nectar. To the services of this grub are the citizens of the north end of Sierra Valley mainly indebted for untouched crops the present season, where for three years the locust has rioted, but where last Fall its nests were soon emptied by this gourmand.

The full-grown fly was frequently noticed in the fields about Franktown and around Reno, in August, and no doubt here, as elsewhere over the interior, this little fly is the avenging Nemesis of the locust.

Now in this brief discussion of the locust scourge threatening California, I do not want to create needless alarm—allying myself thereby with the predictors of dire calamities next year, owing to planetary perihelion—but only to carefully give some unpleasant facts concerning this terrible scourge as at present operating in certain sections, and to forewarn as to what it may become, agreeing with Patrick Henry that "it is better to know the worst and to provide for it."

JOTTINGS

—Justice is assessed 50 cents.

—There are 478 voters registered in this precinct.

Mrs. C. T. Bender has gone to Sacramento for a visit.

—The County Republican Committee will meet next Saturday at 2 P. M

—Four carpenters have gone from Reno to work on the new quartz mill at Greenville.

—Ducks are numerous on the meadows, but are outnumbered by the mosquitoes, a thousand to one.

—The foundations for the Jones & Kinkead mill at Pyramid have been laid. The engine and boiler are in place.

—In the Justice Court on Saturday evening Henry Baker was convicted of stealing a saddle of John Hayes and sentenced to ninety days' imprisonment.

—The Reno Turn-Verein will give an exhibition of their progress in gymnastics, at Kimball's hall next Friday evening. Invitations will be issued to the ladies.

—Judge King has admitted to citizenship Giovani Tesati, Giovani Depauli, Agostino Ghisian, Nicola Bisagnio, Vincenzo Perazi, Steffani Marcsoli.

—The man who does not like the prevailing weather must be hard to please. Cool nights and balmy, sunny days, under skies such as the Mediterranean cannot rival, make mere existence a boon.

—The way to judge of the cheapness of any article is not to consider its price alone, but also its quality. Judging by this standard, the cleaning, etc., sold at the White House will be found remarkably low.

—Jupiter's light is white, although the planet looks red, as all others do, when near the horizon. To a party of excursionists returning last evening from the direction of the Crystal Peak brewery Jupiter presented the appearance of a house on fire.

A Lake of Perpetual Ice

The Yankee Fork, Idaho, *Herald* says: There is a lake on the Saw Tooth Mountains that has probably no equal in the United States. It is about sixty or sixty five miles from Bonanza, and at an altitude of nearly 12,000 feet. The lake lies in a basin among the sharp crags of the snowy Saw Tooth, and is a sheet of perpetual ice. It was discovered in August of last year by a party of prospectors, and named the Ice Lake. The sun seemed to have no effect upon it except in places adjoining the shore. It is simply a great bowl in the hard mountain rock, brimful of solid ice, upon which the rays of the sun descend with no power to penetrate.

The Captured Stage Robber

M. A. Sharp, who was arrested by detective Hume in San Francisco, was no doubt concerned in the last robbery of the Bodie stage. In the valise Hume found three thousand dollars of the stolen money, a gold watch taken from Show, the commercial drummer, on the 8th of June, and a revolver taken from the stage on Sept. 4th. The revolver was being sent C. O. D. to a man in Candelaria. The Carson *Tribune* says the contents of the valise are fully identified, and the case against the prisoner is a strong one.

State Fair Privileges.

The sale of business privileges at the Fair brought the following returns: D. McFarland, for bar, $822 50; A. C. Bakely, cigars, $112 50; A. Jose, ice cream, fruits and candies, $40; J. W. Orndorf, pools, $350; A. Jose, soda at pavilion, $10.

Discovery of a Salt Marsh.

John Alexander, E. L. Bridges and R. P. Chapin have discovered and located a salt marsh in Hot Spring Valley. The location covers 360 acres. There is a great deal of salt in crystals about the margin of the marsh, and the location is considered valuable.

Worthless Stuff.

Not so fast my friend; if you could see the strong, healthy, blooming men, woman and children that have been raised from beds of sickness, suffering and almost death, by the use of Hop Bitters, you would say "Glorious and invaluable remedy." See another column.—*Philadelphia Press.*

Still at Large.

The two convicts who escaped on Monday from the chain gang at Carson had not been recaptured last evening. Their names are J. McTayne, convicted for attempt at murder, and A. Whitfield, convicted of burglary.

Beautifiers.

Ladies, you cannot make fair skin, rosy cheeks and sparkling eyes with all the cosmetics of France, or beautifiers of the world, while in poor health, and nothing will give you such good health, strength, buoyant spirits and beauty as Hop Bitters. A trial is certain proof. See another column.—*Telegraph.*

Bazaar and Ball.

The ladies of Reno are arranging to hold a Bazaar during the month of November, to close with a Thanksgiving dinner and a grand ball on Thanksgiving night. Some of the valuable articles to be chanced off will be on exhibition at the Pavilion during the State Fair. The object is to show their appreciation of the Sisters at St. Mary's Academy, by endeavoring to aid them in their present financial embarrassment.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

The List of Nominations Completed--The Platform Adopted.

Subsequent to the proceedings reported in the GAZETTE of Saturday, the Democratic County Convention disposed of business as follows:

J. B. Williams was nominated for Recorder by acclamation.

Henry Ruhe, F. S. Gladding, J. O. Gregory, W. Nichols and J. C. Hagerman were nominated for Treasurer but declined. Richmond Smith (Wells-Fargo & Co.'s agent), was finally nominated by acclamation.

Roger Johnson, Charles Queen and G. A. Rankin were placed in nomination for District Attorney. The first ballot stood: Johnson 20, Queen 5, Rankin 18. Second ballot: Johnson 17, Queen 1, Rankin 23. G. A. Rankin was declared the nominee.

J. M. Flannagan and C. W. Wooten were named for Assessor. Flanagan received the nomination on the first ballot by a vote of 23 to 18.

M. T. Bowen and Charles Gulling were placed in nomination for Superintendent of Schools. Gulling declining, Bowen was nominated by acclamation.

For Public Administrator F. C. Updike and B. E. Hunter were named. Hunter was nominated by a vote of 22 to 20.

For Surveyor W. W. Skinner was nominated by acclamation.

For Commissioner, long term, Judge Owens and Jos Frey were named. Owens declining, Frey was nominated by acclamation.

For short-term Commissioner, D. H. Lodge, J. H. Borman, M. Gulling and A. A. Longley were nominated, but Gulling and Longley declined, and the vote stood:

Lodge 25, Borman 18. Lodge was declared the nominee.

The following County Central Committee was selected: Judge Owens of Franktown, J. H. Borman of Verdi, J. O. Gregory of Wadsworth, L.J. Flint, J. C. Hagerman, E. A. Vesey and J. F. Cookes of Reno.

The Convention adjourned, sine die, with three cheers for "Tilden and Hendricks."

TOWNSHIP OFFICERS.

On Saturday evening the Reno delegates met in Township Convention to nominate Township officers.

For Justice of the Peace, Wales L. Knox was nominated by acclamation.

For Constable, George Avery and Al. Waite were placed in nomination. Avery was declared the nominee on the first ballot, by a vote of 16 to 5.

Henry Ruhe and D. D. Bowen were nominated for School Trustees.

Adjourned.

The following was adopted by the Convention as

THE PLATFORM.

The Democracy of Washoe county in convention assembled declare as follows:

That we the Democracy of Washoe county, endorse and reaffirm the principles enunciated in the platform of the National Convention at Cincinnati, in June last, and also our State Convention at Winnemucca and heartily approve the lines of government there marked out.

Resolved. That we recognize in our candidate for Congress, the Hon. W. Cassidy, an able statesman and tried gentleman, one who, as Senator in our councils has always fearlessly maintained our principles and labored for the best interests of our State and we pledge that if elected, among his first legislative acts shall be to introduce such a measure as will make completely operative and effective the plank of the National Platform which demands the prohibition of Chinese immigration, and that we invite to the support of our candidates every voter, of whatever political creed, who sincerely desires that our laboring classes may be forever relieved of the curse of coolie competition, and cite to them the fact that relief can only come from a Democratic Congress, and a Democratic President.

Resolved. That in the person of Judge C. H. Belknap, we have an eminent jurist, one that is tried and true, and we point with pride to his past record.

Resolved. That the Democratic party has always maintained that none but residents of Nevada should represent her in the National council, and we deprecate the practice inaugurated by Jones and followed by Sharon, of corrupting, by the free use of money, the elective franchise of a free people, and we call upon all Democrats and honest Republicans to come boldly forward and assist in wiping out this stain upon the fair name of our young and growing State.

Extensive Iron Works in Placer County.

About three miles from Clipper Gap and six from Auburn in Placer county Cal., are located the smelting works and mines of the California Iron Company. Extensive works are being put up and operations will begin about Oct. 1. The *Bee* says the capacity will be 10,000 tons per annum. One hundred men are employed at the works and about 100 at the charcoal kilns and in the woods. Four thousand bushels of charcoal will be consumed each day. Quite a town has sprung up adjacent to the works. No name has yet been given to it, but it is built with a street 100 feet wide and the houses are in regular line. When all is ready for smelting, the company will have expended $100,000. The ore is mostly of the magnetic kind, and is almost free from sulphur and other foreign metals. It works 70 per cent. and makes superior iron.

Another Stage Robbery.

The Georgetown stage was robbed Saturday noon about half a mile from Auburn, Placer county, Cal. One passenger was relieved of his watch and chain, valued at $100, and about $10 in silver. Wells, Fargo & Co.'s box was not taken. One robber did the work.

PYRAMID CITY.

The J. & K. Mill—The Camp Looking up—Good Fishing in the Lake—Local Politics—Advice to Candidates.

PYRAMID CITY, Sept. 13, 1880.

Editor Gazette:—The fact that the Jones & Kinkead Mining Co. are building a mill here has given new hope to those who live in Pyramid and to all who have an interest in the mines. Nearly every expert and practical miner, familiar with the Pyramid mines, believes that a mill here that can do good work, will not only pay its owners well, but will also prove to the world that the mines here are of great value. Hence it is that the citizens of Pyramid have so anxiously hoped for the hour when the ground would be broken for the erection of a quartz mill, and now that our fondest hopes are realized and the mill is well under way, words can hardly express the confidence and gratification with which the average Pyramidite is now inspired. For more than three years past quite a number of honest, hard-working men have spent their time and what means they could command, working claims and paying assessments. They have worked with the belief that Pyramid will yet be a bullion producing camp and that they have been right in this belief seems now almost a certainty.

The Monroe Bros. are refitting their hotel and saloon, and will soon be prepared to accommodate the public in good style. John Hymers is also making extensive improvements in the shape of corrals and feed stables at the lower camp. Teams are coming in every day, loaded with lumber and machinery for the mill. Twelve men are now at work on the foundation, which will be completed in a few days. Knust & Jones will reopen their store soon. Several families are expected to move in next week, and everything looks bright and hopeful.

The fishing in the lake is good now, and a number of men are making preparations to commence fishing as soon as the fishing law is up, but Indian Agent Spencer declares that the lake is within the limits of the reservatin, and that legal proceedings will be commenced against anyone attempting to make a business of fishing in the lake.

The election at Pyramid was much talked about two years ago, and owing to this fact the candidates are paying a great deal of attention to our precinct, and, to judge from the way that some of them write to their friends out here, they seem to think that a few gallons of whiskey and a few dollars in money can change two-thirds of the votes in the precinct. Now we wish to say to the candidates of both parties that we want them to come out and visit us. We want to see how they look and hear what they have to say. If they bring a little whiskey along with them, we will drink it, for we like good whiskey pretty well, and if they choose to throw a few half-dollar pieces around in the sagebrush we may pick them up, but when election day comes we will vote for the best men and what we think to be for the best interests of the county, State and Nation. HARD SCRAB.

What the Disappointed Candidate Wants to Know.

The disappointed candidate braces up after his defeat in the Convention and greets his acquaintances with a smiling countenance, though the furies may be raging in his heart and the vultures of despair be tearing at his liver.

To him come all the delegates who voted for the other candidates and helped to defeat him. They straggle up to him, one by one, and each shakes him warmly by the hand. Some pat him on the shoulder. All say something like this:

"Well, old boy, we did our best for you, but we couldn't make it go. They were a little too strong for us. I stood right by you to the last."

Then the d. c. smiles a wintry sort of a smile, while his hands, from the force of habit acquired during the campaign, go down deep into his empty trousers pockets, and he says:

"Thank you. I knew you would. They all stood by me. Every son of a gun—I mean every mother's son—in the Convention says he voted for me to the last. What I want to know is who in h—voted for the other candidates."

Then they all laugh, with a sense of understanding each other, and adjourn to the proximate bar to quaff a consolation cup.

Strike in the Bullion.

The Paradise *Reporter* says: A strike of a very important character has been made in the upper and lower north drifts of the Bullion mine. The ledge has been cut in both crosscuts, and, besides carrying much high grade ore, is fully eight feet wide in both drifts and has yet there is no sign of a wall on either side. Specimens of the ore are very rich in native horn and ruby silver, and we are assured that one whole edge will work $10 to $50 without sorting.

THE HAY CROP.

Not a Bad Year for the Washoe Valley Ranchers—High Prices Making up for a short Crop—Plenty of Hay up North—Speculations on the Market.

The gloomy apprehensions indulged in by the farmers on the Truckee Meadows this season have not been confirmed by the harvest. The condition of the market has been rather favorable for hay growers this year. The fears excited by the depredations of the grasshoppers have caused a rise in the price of hay to much more than the usual figures. While the hay crop this year will not be more than one-third less than the average, the prices realized are from one-quarter to one-third higher than usual. It was feared, early in the season, that there would be no second crop this year. The second crop is now coming in, and promises to be at least half as large as the average second crop.

The following are fair quotations of the current prices for hay in this market; Loose hay, in stack, $10 to $12; baled clover, and mixed, $13 to $16; baled best timothy, $30.

While the prices this season range high, there is not more than half the usual demand. If the growers can sell their hay crop at the present prices, they will not have had a bad season. But the high prices have lessened the demand, and it is probable that prices will come down before long. A large portion of the hay crop of this valley is sold to fatten beef cattle for shipment to California. The low rates for hay prevailing last winter induced the stockmen to send thousands of cattle here to feed. Cattle were even sent up from Sacramento to be fattened here on Washoe valley hay, and afterwards shipped back to California. Hay was very scarce in the northern valleys last year, and that obliged many cattle men to send their cattle to Reno for feed. This year the situation is entirely different. Honey Lake, Surprise, Sierra and Long valleys have had good crops of hay. Hay is now selling at low rates up north. The following are fair quotations: Surprise valley, hay in stack, $3 50 to $5; Honey Lake, hay in stack, $4 to $5.

These facts and figures indicate that the hay growers of this valley are doing very well, so far, this year. They are getting double the prices of the farmers up north. The probability is, however, that the prices will come down. Stockmen will not send their cattle to Reno to feed when hay is selling here at more than $8 per ton in stack. It does not pay. While there is an abundance of hay in the northern valleys, and the prices keep down up there, no cattle will come here to feed. The farmer with hay to sell would do well to realize at present figures.

Piute Sugar Again—Indians Alleged to be Gathering Sacks of it This Fall.

The following from the Winnemucca *Silver State* may be all gospel truth, or it may best be taken with a few grains of salt:

"Buena Vista John, a steady and reliable Piute, informs us that the Indians are now engaged in harvesting their sugar crop on the Big Meadows, three or four miles from Lovelocks. The natives have gathered there from Walker River, Virginia City, Carson, Austin and other parts of the State. The crop is abundant this season, and some of the Indians have gathered as much as twenty sacks of sugar. The sugar is like gum. It exudes from the cane, and hardens in little lumps on the stalks. When it hardens it is easily separated from the cane by threshing. There are two grades of sugar, one of which is almost pure white, the other of a brownish hue. Some of the Indians cut the cane and thresh it, while others shake the stalks and catch the sugar in baskets. Those who expressed doubts of sugar cane, indigenous to the country, growing on the lower Humboldt, can now satisfy themselves as to the truth of what the Indians say about it by going to the Big Meadows, or getting an Indian to get them a sample of the sugar."

Is Winnemucca Dead?

Jonathan Sides, the well-known Piute interpreter, arrived in town Tuesday, and was interviewed by a GAZETTE reporter concerning the reports about the death of old Winnemucca, the Piute chief. Sides says that he does not know anything about it. The Indians do not know whether the story is true or false. Sides Tuesday sent two runners to Fort Bidwell to find out the truth. When they return, the GAZETTE will be fully informed regarding the safety or death of the old chief. In the event of the death of Winnemucca, Sides says that he cannot tell what may happen—it all rests upon Captain Jim and Captain Sam.

Word came from Wadsworth Tuesday that Old Winnemucca is not dead, and that he was expected to arrive there that afternoon.

Steep Stakes.

The Virginia *Chronicle* says: A match for $1,000 between the Resolute and Social baseball clubs is seriously talked of. The Resolutes stand ready to put up the money and play for it.

THREE THIEVES.

A Lively Chase After Fugitive House-Breakers—They Swim the River and Escape.

As R. V. Borden was Monday afternoon loading a team with sand near the State Prison walls, he noticed several men apparently hiding in one of the towers. He watched them without appearing to, and came to the conclusion that they were probably characters that should be looked after. When he got back to town he informed Avery of what he had seen, and accompanied that officer back to the prison grounds in a buggy. They looked in all the towers but saw no one. Then Avery peered over the high river bank and caught sight of a man hiding in some bushes a few hundred yards down stream. As soon as the officer showed himself, three men broke from the bushes and ran. Avery and Borden chased them over a mile down the shore of the river, the thieves holding their own well. Opposite Sessions' ranch there is a convex bend in the north bank, and the pursuers thought to head off the fugitives by cutting across the bend while the latter kept the shore. But the thieves, for such they proved to be, saw this danger and, determined not be caught, took to the river. They partly waded, partly swam, until they emerged on the opposite shore, where the biggest of them turned, and carrying the thumb of his right hand to his nose, with the fingers extended vertically, he twiddled them with a most refreshing exhibition of coolness. The thieves were out of range of revolvers, and of course the pursuers did not care to swim the river after them, so the thieves made good their escape.

Returning to the neighborhood of the prison walls, Avery and Borden went to a cabin owned by the latter and found that it had been broken open and rifled of many articles. A large number of books owned by Frank Borden, who used to live in the cabin, had, among other things been stolen. One of the fugitives carried with him, in his flight along shore and through the passage of the Truckee, a large black valise which probably contained some of the stolen goods. Nothing has since been heard of the escaped rascals.

Reform Club Entertainment and Dance.

The Reform Club entertainment on Saturday evening drew a larger audience than usual. The drama of the "Country Cousins" was well presented and occasioned considerable amusement. One of the young ladies in the cast got in a clever "gag" on Gen. Garfield, "our future President," which brought down the house.

The first dance given by the Reform Club this season followed the literary and musical exercises. A good many remained to trip the fantastic, although the dancers would have been more numerous had the affair taken place in the theatre. Updike and Tippett furnished the music. Mr. Tippett is out of practice with the violin and Mr. Updike had not called for a long time previously. However they did very well for a commencement, and may be relied on for excellent music hereafter.

Prospecting by Means of a Drilling Machine.

The Plumas *National* says: The shaft-boring machine now at work on Spanish Peak, is fast demonstrating that it is just what is needed in a mining country. The shaft recently started is down over 200 feet, and the machine sinks it at the rate of twenty-five or thirty feet a day. The hole is about eight inches in diameter, and by the action of the drill is thoroughly plastered up on the sides, so that there is no danger of caves. In quick-sand a tube is inserted, which takes the place of timbers in an ordinary shaft. The dirt which is raised can be prospected, and its character determined nearly as well as in an ordinary shaft, and, of course, the depth to bed-rock is very easily and cheaply found. Water is no trouble—in fact the water is an advantage, as it has to be poured into the drill hole in places where the ground is dry.

A Thousand on Garfield.

The Democracy have for some time past been very forward in announcing the willingness of their moneyed men to bet upon the election of Hancock in November. The Eureka *Leader* says perhaps it would be of interest to them to know that one of Eureka's good Republicans has deposited $1,000 in the bank that he is willing to risk on James Garfield, and is very solicitous that some equally good Democrat should either put up or shut up. Will some gentleman please step forward and cover the deposit?

A Horse Epidemic.

A disease similar to the epizootic has been spreading among horses, for the last ten days. The Truckee *Republican* is informed by Wm. Irwin, the horse man, that a large number of the horses driven there from the outside, Sierra valley and other places, are also affected, so the disease seems to be quite general.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE MAINE ELECTION.

The Probable Republican Majority—Returns showing Large Gains—California News.

Opening of the Polls.

BOSTON, Sept. 13.—The *Herald's* Belfast, Maine, special says: The morning opened damp and foggy. Voting commenced at 9, both parties crowding about the polling places early, ready for battle.

A Heavy Vote.

PORTLAND, Sept. 13.—The weather is beautiful, and a very heavy vote is being thrown at all the wards.

An Imperfect Telegram.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 13.—Tallies from six wards at noon, ——. The tally from others gives the Republicans 1,990, Fusionists 1,793.

Republican Gains in Maine.

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Comparison of returns from Portland indicates that the net gain already made in that city is 642 over last year, and that if a similar gain is made in all the remaining counties, the Republicans will have carried the election by 4,700 majority, and will have gained 5,136 votes over the vote in 1879.

The Maine Election.

AUGUSTA, Me., Sept. 13 Midnight.—The immense crowds around the headquarters of both parties in the early part of the evening are dispersing. The vote has been very close, but the indications now are that the back towns will offset the Republican loss in the cities. At the Republican headquarters Davis' election is claimed, as are the House and Senate. A Republican defeat of one Representative in the Fourth and Fifth Districts is conceded. One hundred and eighteen towns give a Republican loss of 200 over last year. At the Fusion headquarters Plaisted's election is claimed by 2,000 majority, as are three of the five Congressmen.

LEWISTON, Me. Sept. 13.—Congressman Frye is re-elected in the Second District by about 1,500 majority.

Fatal Fall From a Tree.

PENRYN, Cal., Sept. 13.

John Owen of this place met with an accident which caused his death at five o'clock this morning. On Saturday evening he went into the woods to cut a bee tree. Not returning, parties went in search of him. He was found about twelve o'clock under the tree from which he had fallen, in an unconscious condition, and remained so until death. He leaves a wife and two small children.

Killed by a Street Car.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept., 13.—Edward Gorrigan, two and a half years old, was run over and killed by a street car on Fifth street, last evening.

Looks Like Humbug.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—A *Call* reporter visited Calistoga yesterday and interviewed A. C. Techener regarding the alleged extraction of gold from water. Techener explained the process, which the reporter says looks like humbug.

Fatal Explosion.

LODI, CAL. Sept. 13.—A threshing engine exploded on the Routan ranch five miles west of this place to-day, instantly killing the engineer and wounding several others.

Bismarck Abandons Bi-metallism.

LONDON, Sept. 13.

The *Post's* dispatch from Berlin says that Bismarck has abandoned the project for a bi metallic system.

A Town Burned Up.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.

A Walla Walla dispatch says: Last night a fire originated in the Pearl House that almost totally destroyed the village of Waitsburg. A strong wind prevailed, and all but four business houses burned. But little merchandise was saved. One Chinaman was burned to death. The loss is from one hundred and fifty to two hundred thousand dollars.

Arrest of a Stage Robber.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—Milton A. Sharp was arrested in this city yesterday, charged with being an accomplice in robbing the Bodie stages, particularly in the last robbery, when one man was killed.

Lynching in Tennessee.

SANDERVILLE, Tenn. Sept. 15.

Seven negroes, charged with murder, were lynched Monday night by a mob. Two were killed in jail. The others were taken to the woods and hanged.

Latest From Maine.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 15.

There are a hundred and eighty small towns in Maine yet to hear from. The latest returns increased the Republican chances. It is more than probable that the Legislature will have to elect State officers.

The Congressmen Elected.

The Congressional delegation stands: Reed (Rep.) re-elected for the First District by 109 plurality; Frye (Rep.) re-elected for the Second District by 1,800 majority; Lindsay (Rep.) elected for the Third District by 451 majority; Ladd (Fus.) re-elected for the Fourth District by a reduced majority; March (Fus.) re-elected for the Fifth District by 1,000 to 1,500 majority.

A Mountain of Saltpetre.

About eighteen months ago a story appeared in some newspaper about a mountain of saltpetre alleged to have been discovered in the neighborhood of Crystal Peak, Nev. The Dupont Powder Co. soon after sent a man out here to report upon it. He looked for it a long time, but was unsuccessful, for the excellent reason that no mountain of saltpetre had ever been discovered. Several Long valley ranchers like to relate how the powder sharp came among them inquiring for the mountain of saltpetre. The saltpetre expert thought the bed of Alkali lake might contain saltpetre, and he spent two days experimenting for traces of that substance in the mud of the lake bed. He did not discover a trace.

Old Winnemucca Alive and Well.

The report that the old chief Winnemucca had been murdered proves to be untrue. He arrived at Pyramid Reservation on Saturday evening from Oregon, alive and well.

Jonathan Sides, the Piute interpreter, called at the GAZETTE office and confirmed the above. He says that Winnemucca will be in Wadsworth this evening. Since his return from Oregon, the Piute chieftain has remained on the Pyramid Reservation.

A New Grocery Store.

Carpenters are at work in D. & B. Lachman's two stores between Osburn & Shoemaker's and Bosch's on Commercial Row. An archway is being constructed, to connect the two stores. Report has it that J. C. Hagerman has rented them, and that his trip to San Francisco is for the purpose of buying a stock of groceries. David Lachman has no information to give about the matter, but there is little doubt that the stores have been rented by Mr. Hagerman for the grocery business.

A Tarantula Found Near Town.

A large tarantula was found near Kelly's ranch last week. The creature was walking along one of the embankments of the Orr ditch. It was captured, securely imprisoned in a pickle bottle, and presented to the entomological editor of the GAZETTE, who has added it to his cabinet of living curiosities. Mr. Kelly says he has seen only two tarantulas in this State. These deadly spiders are rare on this side of the Sierra. They are beautiful creatures, covered with fine hair, brown and silky, and with nothing to suggest their venomous nature.

$8,000 for a Day's Work.

The Rocky Bar mine, the *Union* says, is still panning out specimens of rock richer than ever. One piece was taken out Wednesday, estimated to be worth $2,500, and several boxes of smaller specimens were taken out, altogether supposed to be worth $7,000 or $8,000. That was certainly a good day's work.

A Little Too Expensive.

Speaking of the proposed military parade at the coming State Fair, the Carson *Appeal* says: "When the Reno people see what kind of a bill will roll up on account of the military feature of the Fair they will doubtless change their minds. The cost of rations, transportation and going into camp will be in the neighborhood of several thousand dollars."

Make it Pretty Weak.

To keep the flies from troubling your horses, rub on the legs, neck and body a weak solution of carbolic acid. It is a good preventive. Or take one pound of black walnut leaves, put in a quart of water, let them stand a few hours, then boil half an hour, strain off the liquor, and when cool it is ready for use.

LITTLE CLIPPINGS.

About 1,500 Piutes are gathered together at the north-east corner of Mono Lake, holding their annual festival. This consists in feasting, drinking, horse-racing and going through the war-dance.

A band of sheep was recently corraled near Vallecito, in two corrals, with a gateway between, and during the night became scared, and rushing together, ninety-six sheep were smothered to death.

A San Bernardino lad named Criswell undertook to lead a fractious cow the other day, when his arm became entangled in the rope and he was dragged some distance, producing a double fracture of the right leg.

By some flaw in the deeds, the people of Sumner, Kern county, have had no title to their lots. Trouble was expected, but the C. P. R. R. authorities took immediate steps to perfect the titles without further charge.

A son-in-law of Mr. Gradley, of Artesia, Los Angeles, was loading a wagon with grain lately. He stopped suddenly, threw his hands to his head and exclaimed, "What's that? I'm blind!" and fell to the ground, dead.

Last Sunday a monster Jew fish, weighing 500 pounds, was caught on a hook at South Santa Monica wharf by a man named Collins. He was pulled off the wharf into the sea by the fish, and nearly drowned before he was rescued by a sailor.

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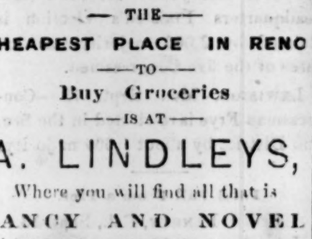

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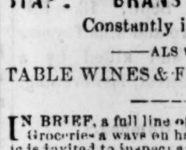

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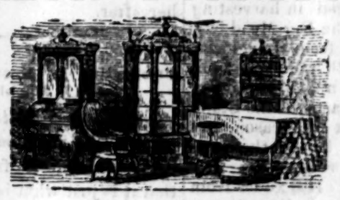

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